

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF

# Immaculate Conception of the BVM "St. Mary's"

# Saint Rita's 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)

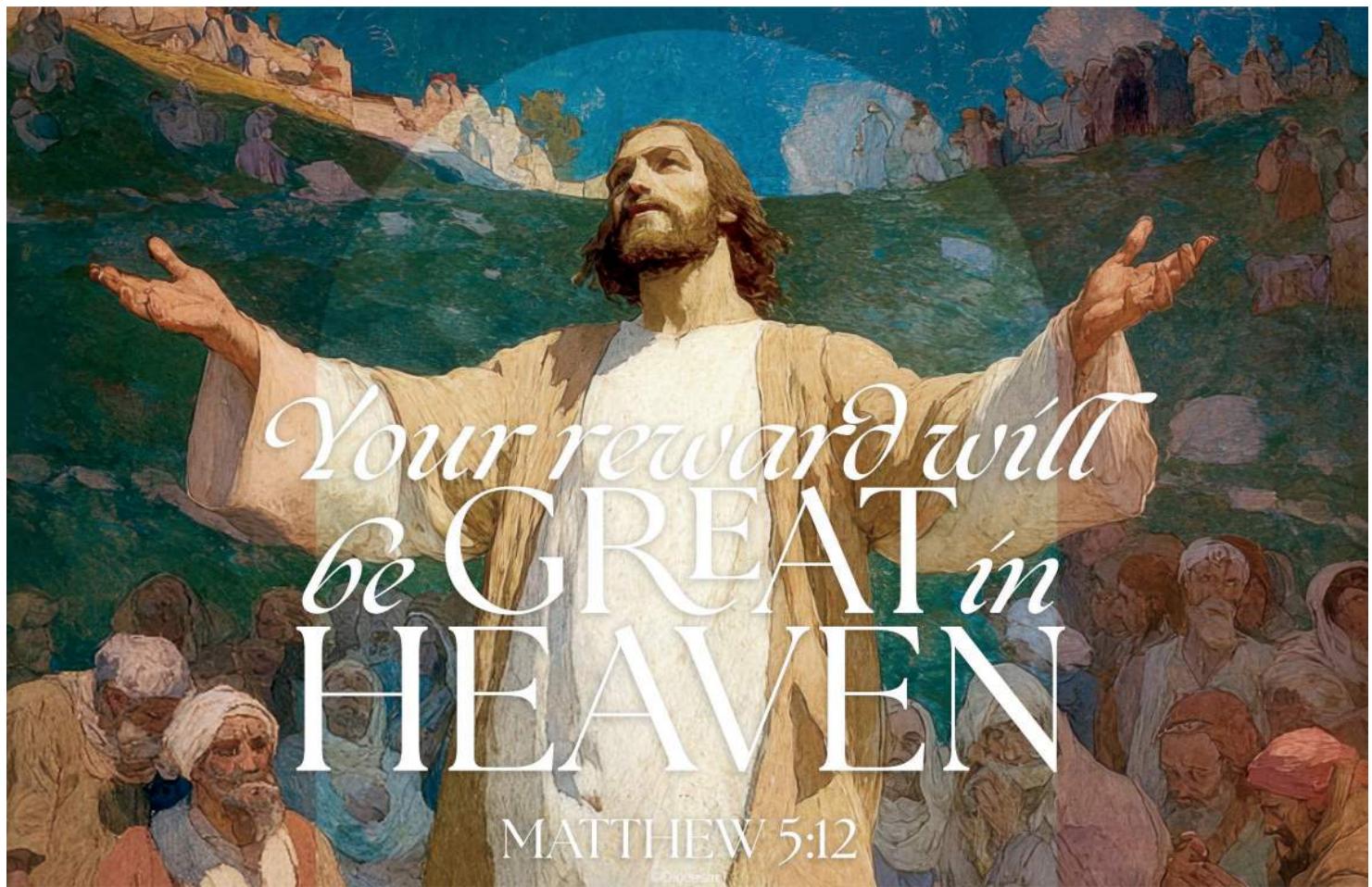
Holy Day 8:00am & 6:30pm

**Confessions** · Thursday after the morning Mass

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30pm

**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.



*Your reward will  
be GREAT in  
HEAVEN*

MATTHEW 5:12

## Our Stewardship

January 18, 2026

St. Mary	St. Rita		
Sunday	\$3,177	Sunday	\$2,444

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

## Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 1, 2026

Sunday	<b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
Monday	<b>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</b> Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30; 19:3; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	<b>Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</b> 1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Mk 6:7-13
Friday	<b>Memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</b> Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	1 Kings 3:4-13; Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

St. Mary	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
2/7 5:00pm	B. Liska/D. Ritchie/D. Sanders	C. Macuirles	Volunteers	K. Gerstner/J. Farkas
2/8 8:00am	S. Krueger/B. Lamb/D. Heibel	K. Farabaugh	Volunteers	D. & S. Ranney
2/8 10:30am	P. Leister/A. Poslosky/A. Bohn	J. Gaskin	Volunteers	M. & K. Powell
St. Rita	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Money Counters
2/7 4:30pm	A. Sanders	H. Brennan	Volunteers	2/8 A. Hauryski
2/8 8:30am	D. Fawks/J. Lowrie	J. Hays	Volunteers	2/15 A. Serpi
2/8 11:00am	G. Crawford/K. Reed	A. Shepard	Volunteers	2/22 F. Ganoe

### St. Mary Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/31	8:00am	Intentions of the Barb Harris
	5:00pm	† Martin Venzin
Sunday 2/1	8:00am	† John Joseph Bernardo
	10:30am	People of the Parish
Monday 2/2	8:00am	† Melvin L. Losovsky
Tuesday 2/3	8:00am	Intentions of Sandi Polvinale
Wednesday 2/4	8:00am	† Chris Dowell
Thursday 2/5	8:00am	† Ruth & Gene Sites
Friday 2/6	8:00am	† Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 2/7	8:00am	† Yuliana Runesi
	5:00pm	† Jim Ritchie
Sunday 2/8	8:00am	† Dorothy Hrycenko
	10:30am	People of the Parish

### St. Rita Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/31	9:00AM	Healing for All Families
	4:30pm	† Meredith DeDona
Sunday 2/1	8:30am	Intentions of Bobbi Smith
	11:00am	People of the Parish
Monday 2/2	8:00am	† John Marinchak
Tuesday 2/3	9:00am	† Vince & Delores Prugar
Wednesday 2/4	9:00am	† Robert & Donna Keller
Thursday 2/5	9:00am	Lineages for Peache
Friday 2/6	9:00am	† Grace M. Leibold
Saturday 2/7	9:00am	God's Kingdom on Earth
	4:30pm	Love, Joy and Pleasing of God
Sunday 2/8	8:30am	Intentions of John L. Brennan
	11:00am	People of the Parish

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## ST. MARY'S STORY OF FAITH FOR JANUARY

The story "ME AND THE HOLY SPIRIT", as shared by Bruce Carr, is available on the red draped table in the vestibule.

**St. Rita's Mass on Feb. 2 & February 12, will be at 8AM.**

**St. Rita's Flowers in the Sanctuary** are in honor and in memory of the Parishioners of St. Rita's living & deceased.

**St. Mary's Flowers in the Sanctuary** are in memory of Henry & Peg Pecher and David Pecher donated by Cathy Pecher & Family.

**Anointing of the Sick and Prayers for Healing at Both Parishes** will be offered Sunday, February 8th, after the second Sunday morning Mass at both churches.. You are welcome to come forward if you have any illness, debilitating chronic infirmities, advanced age, forthcoming surgery and recovery from surgery.

**Ruth's Harvest** Thank you for your generosity with the January collection! St. Mary's parishioners donated 512 servings of food. The next collection will be Feb. 7-8. Some of the most needed items are plastic cups of fruit or vegetables, microwave popcorn, peanut butter to go, and animal crackers or Teddy Grahams. Thank you!

## Prayer Shawl Meeting

Monday, February 9th, at 8:30AM at St. Mary's Church. All are welcome.

**Knights of Columbus Council** 12250 Meeting will be held at 7:30PM on Monday February 9th, at the St. Mary's Church.

## Bulletin Announcements

must be submitted to the parish office 10 days before the bulletin date. Thank you

**Today Second Collection at Both Churches for the Propagation of the Faith.** Thank you for your generosity.

**St. Mary's Donut Social** Sunday, Feb. 1st after the Sunday morning Masses in the Parish Hall. This social is sponsored by St. Mary's PCCW.

**Pro Life Corner** For the sick, especially those nearing life's end: May they be cared for with tenderness and compassion as they prepare to enter eternal life.

**The Knights of Columbus Subs** for pick up after Masses on **February 7-8**. The orders must be **pre-paid**. Super bowl is February 8.

**St. Rita's & St. Mary's Altar Flowers** in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion. Cost for the 2 altar vases is \$50 - Donation may be placed in an envelope marked flowers with your intention and preferred date. Please call the parish office or email [maryrita256@comcast.net](mailto:maryrita256@comcast.net) to confirm date. St. Rita's dates are Feb. 8, and April 26. St. Mary's April 26. There will be no flowers during Lent. Flowers will resume April 26.

**St. Mary's Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** There will be a meeting on Thursday, **February 5th**, at 7:00PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

## St. Rita's Parish Pastoral

**Council Meeting** There will be a meeting on Thursday, **February 12th**, at 7:00PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

**Thank You** The Men's Club and Knights thank all the parishioners and friends who joined them for their pancake breakfast and all the volunteers and students who helped make it our most successful breakfast in recent years.

**Book Club:** Please join us in St. Rita's Parish hall on **Wednesday, February 11th @ 6:30pm - 7:30pm** for an exciting discussion on our 2 newest books gifted to us by our Church at Christmas! We will be discussing both books by Matthew Kelly; *Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy* and *The Seven Pillars of the Catholic Faith*. Read one book, both books, or just come to hear the discussion to learn what they are about. Pick up your copies at the entrance to the church. No RSVP needed. All Adults welcome! Hope to see you there!

**St. Rita's Donut Social** after the Sunday Morning Masses on Sunday, February 15, in the parish hall . All are invited. More information to follow.

**Lent begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Masses will be St. Mary's 8am & 630PM, St. Rita's 9AM & 630PM.** Ashes will be distributed at all these Masses.

**Mark Your Calendar** The Men's Club and Knights of Columbus are holding an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner in the parish hall on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Dinner includes, spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, bread stick, drinks and dessert. The cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 6 to 12 and under 6 free. Carry-outs are available. Volunteer to help and receive a free meal; youth earn service hours if they help out. Volunteer sign-ups after Masses on January 31<sup>st</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> or call Dick Heibel on 717-338-2044

**Both Churches Tax Statements for 2025** If you are wanting Tax Statements 2025 please email the parish office or call the parish office. Thank you.

**St. Rita's will have a Fish Fry on Friday, February 20, from 5 to 6:30PM** in the Parish Hall. It will be catered by CRACKEN CATERING, 2-6OZ pieces of cod, mac & cheese, coleslaw, iced tea and coffee and cup cake; \$16 adults, \$7 children 12 and under. BYOB TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!!!!!! They will be sold after the Masses. Questions call Peggy VanDerCruyssen 301-241-3469.



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