

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

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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.



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 29 2026

## Our Stewardship

March 22, 2026

<b>St. Mary</b>		<b>St. Rita</b>	
Sunday	\$2,316.00	Sunday	\$2,511



## Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 29, 2026

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</b> Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54
<b>Monday</b>	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
<b>Wednesday</b>	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Good Friday of the Lord's Passion</b> Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter</b> Gen 1:1-2:2 or Gen 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22; Gen 22:1-18 or Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5, 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rm 6:3-11, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Resurrection of the Lord</b> Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35 (Afternoon or Evening)

<i>St. Mary</i>	<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Ushers</i>
4/4 8:00pm	B. & R. Miller/D. Sanders	Scheduled Lectors	Volunteers	Volunteers
4/5 8:00am	B. Lamb/D. Heibel/D. Heibel	K. Farabaugh	Volunteers	D. & S. Ranney
4/5 10:30am	P. Leister/A. Bohn/A. Poslosky	B. Carr	Volunteers	M. & K. Powell
<i>St. Rita</i>	<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Money Counters</i>
4/4 8:00pm	M. Brennan/A. Sanders	A. Shepard/J. Crawford	Volunteers	4/5 M. Lawrence
4/5 8:30am	D. Fawks/J. Lowrie	J. Crawford	Volunteers	4/12 J. Kenney
4/5 11:00am	G. Crawford/S. Sappington	J. Orlando	Volunteers	4/19 A. Hauryski

### St. Mary Mass Intentions

Saturday 3/28	8:00am	Mass of Thanksgiving
	5:00pm	† Chad Sprankle
Sunday 3/29	8:00am	† Fr. Michael A. Messaro, MSSCC
	10:30am	People of the Parish
Monday 3/30	8:00am	† Charlie Sites
Tuesday 3/31	8:00am	† Ruth & Gene Sites
Wednesday 4/1	8:00am	† Bill Ranney
	6:30pm	† Melvin L. Losovsky
Thursday 4/2		NO MASS IN MORNING
Friday 4/3		NO MASS
Saturday 4/4		NO MASS IN MORNING
	8:00pm	Ints. of Francis Poslosky Family
Sunday 4/5	8:00am	† Jeanne Klein
	10:30am	People of the Parish

### St. Rita Mass Intentions

Saturday 3/28	9:00am	Intentions of Jack Devlin
	4:30pm	† Gary Harbaugh
Sunday 3/29	8:30am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	† David Churchman
Monday 3/30	9:00am	† Fr. Michael A. Messaro, MSSCC
Tuesday 3/31	9:00am	Intentions of Fr. Peter
Wednesday 4/1	9:00am	† Betty Reed
Thursday 4/2		NO MORNING MASS
Friday 4/3		NO MASS
Saturday 4/4		NO MORNING MASS
	8:00pm	† Fr. Tom Gills
Sunday 4/5	8:30am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	† Charles S. Jones

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Rita

## St. Rita's Holy Week

**Schedule** March 30 & 31, Morning Mass 9AM, April 1, Mass 9 AM  
April 2, **Holy Thursday:**  
Mass of the Lord's Supper 6:30PM  
Adoration until 10PM  
Night Prayer 10PM  
April 3, **Good Friday:**  
Day of Fast and Abstinence  
Stations of the Cross at Noon  
Passion Service at 3:00PM  
Tenebrae Service 7PM  
April 4, **Holy Saturday:**  
Easter Vigil 8:00PM  
April 5, **Easter Sunday:**  
Masses 8:30 & 11AM

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Masses 8 & 10:30AM

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

The story "MY BEST FRIEND'S HELP", as shared by Monica Stratton, is available on the red draped table in the vestibule.

## St. Mary's Parish council

**Meeting** Tuesday, April 7th, at 7PM at in the Classroom.

## St. Rita' Parish council

**Meeting** Thursday, April 9th, at 7PM in the Parish Hall.

## Bulletin Announcements

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

**Parish Office Hours for the week of March 30th** Tuesday, March 31 9AM until Noon. Holy Thursday April 2nd and Good Friday April 3 office closed. Thank you.

**Pro Life Corner** For those nearing the end of life: May they be given the grace to persevere in faith and place their trust in God as they prepare in hope for eternity with Christ.

**DAC Diocesan Annual Campaign "Faithful Stewards"** If you haven't given to the DAC there are envelopes at the entrances to the Churches. St. Rita's DAC goal this year is \$23,404. St. Mary's is \$26,561. Thank you for your generosity in helping to make the DAC goals. Update soon.

**Donut Social** for April 12th has been canceled. Next Social will be Sunday, May 3rd.

## First Banns of Marriage

are announce for Timothy Lee Soto and Ashley Rose Hummel, both of St. Mary's Parish.

## Blessing of the Easter Baskets

Bring all your Easter Goodies to St. Rita's on Holy Saturday at Noon to have them Blessed. All are welcome.

## Food Pantry

Thank you to everyone who contributed food or financial donations toward St. Mary's St. Patrick's Day food drive for the Fairfield Food Pantry! We gave 35 bags each containing 2 fresh green vegetables or fruit and 3 other items (St. Patrick's Day cookies, green Jello, canned corned beef, packaged potatoes, etc.), and a card. Thank you for participating in this Corporal Work of Mercy of feeding the hungry!

**Sight & Sound Trip to see "Joshua"** There are 2 tickets left. Please call the Parish Office if interested, 717-642-8815. Payments must be made before March 31st, making the check payable to St. Mary's Please place it in an envelope marked "Bus Trip 2026" and place in the offering basket. Thank you.

**Congratulations to the Confirmation Class**, they all received Confirmation at St. Andrew's Waynesboro on Sunday, March 22 by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer. St. Rita's Elena Paulette Lawrence and Sean Kolbe Orlando. St. Mary's Addison Grace Dodson, Gabriella Marie Fritts, Kaitlyn Jayde Gibbon, Madelyn Grace Johnson and Gracelynn Victoria McClain.

**Ruth's Harvest** The next collection at St. Mary's will be April 11-12, and it will be our last collection for this school year. Some of the most needed items are plastic cups of fruit, vegetables, macaroni & cheese, and Chef Boyardee. Thank you!

## St. Rita's will be offering a study called *the Bible and the Mother of God*

All you would like to know to further your knowledge and relationship with Our Lady can be experienced in this 8-week program that begins on Tuesday, April 14th at 10:00 am & 6:30pm at St. Rita's Parish Hall. Workbooks are available for \$25 and need to be requested by March 29th. To sign up for the study, and to let us know of your interest, and which time you will be attending, please email [St.Rita.SFteam@gmail.com](mailto:St.Rita.SFteam@gmail.com) or contact Jan DiIulio at (563)940-4907. This study is provided through the FORMED streaming platform and may be viewed at any time by setting up your free parish subscription at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). Come join us!

**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 April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7, 14, 21, 28 and more. St. Mary's April 26, May 3, 10, 24, 31, June 14, 21, 28 and more.

**Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!** Discount tickets to *Hersheypark* are available to the friends and families of the parish for significant savings. Gate admission for Regular is \$90.80; our price is **\$42.95** (All ages 3+) valid until 1/1/27. \*ADD-ON *Hersheypark* Single Use Meal Deal Tickets for **\$21.19 each** and \*ADD-ON Parking Pass - **\$27.50** pre-ordered or pay \$35.00 onsite. Tickets purchased in 2026 are valid for any 1 public operating day throughout the 2026 calendar year. Refunds, extensions or upgrades will not be offered. Orders must be received at the parish by **Sunday, April 26, 2026**. Please contact Joan Ritter at (717) 642-8834 for questions. Order forms at the entrances to both Churches. Thank you.

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