

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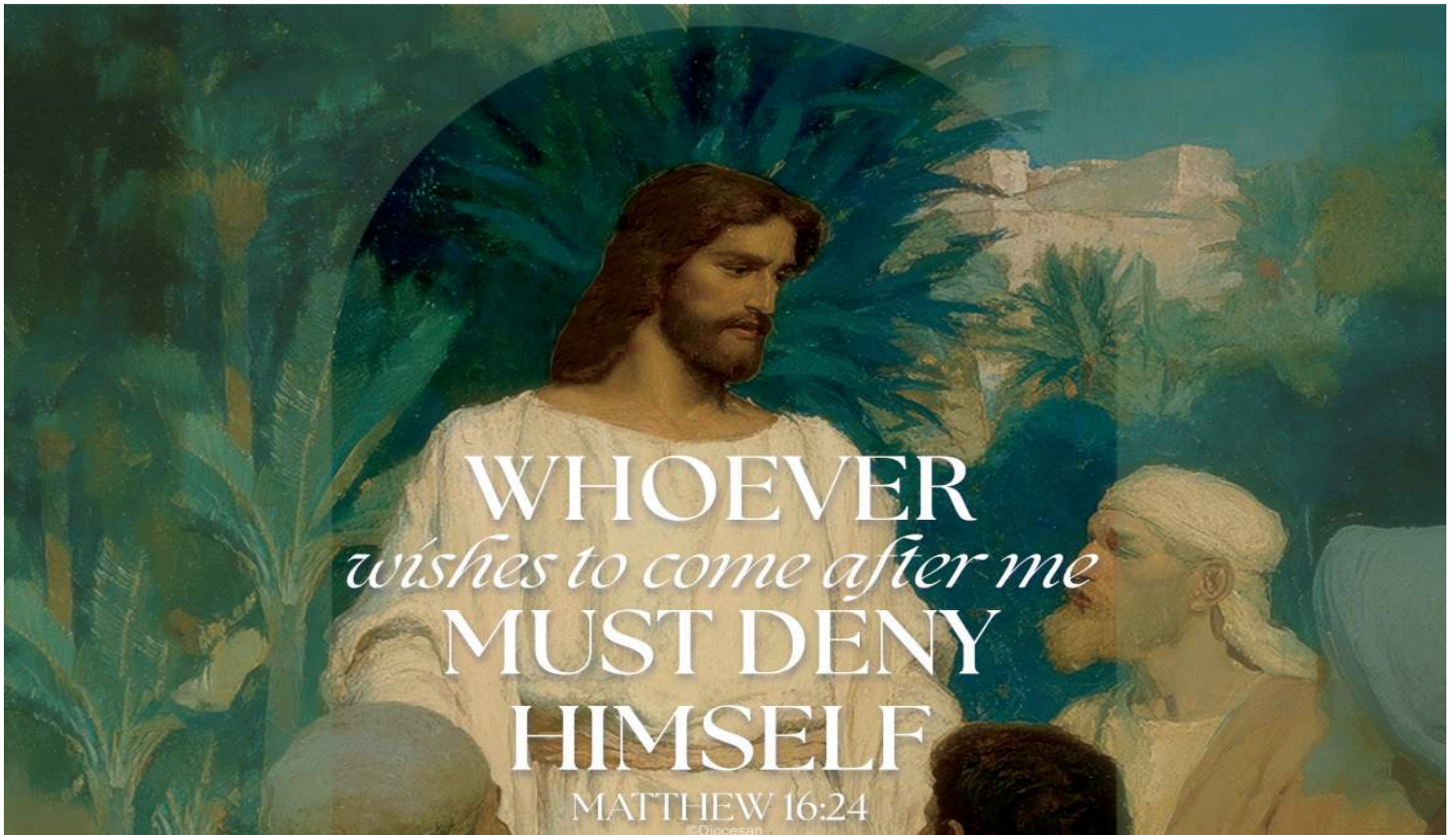
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Mass Schedule Saturday • 4:30pm Sunday • 8:30 & 11:00am

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. **St. Rita’s & St. Mary’s Parish Office Hours** are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 6:30AM to 4:00PM and Thursday 6:30AM to 3:00PM. Friday’s the office will be closed.



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2026

Our Stewardship

August 23, 2026

St. Mary

Sunday

\$2,124

St. Rita

Sunday

\$2,617



Scripture Readings

For the Week of August 30, 2026

Sunday

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Monday

1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday

1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday

1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday

1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday

1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

St. Mary	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
9/5 5:00pm	B. & R. Miller/D. Sanders	C. Macuirles	Volunteers	L. & J. Ritter
9/6 8:00am	H. & C. Stehmer/D. Sprankle	S. Ranney	Volunteers	Volunteers
9/6 10:30am	P. Leister/M. Powell/A. Bohn	B. Carr	Volunteers	B. Kocsis/B. Fritts
St. Rita	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Money Counters
9/5 4:30pm	M. Brennan/J. Kuhn	A. Shepard	Volunteers	9/6 A. Hauryski
9/6 8:30am	D. Fawks/J. Lowrie	J. Crawford	Volunteers	9/13 A. Serpi
9/6 11:00am	L. Crawford/K. Reed	P. Crawford	Volunteers	9/20 F. Ganoe

St. Mary Mass Intentions

Saturday 8/29	8:00am	Intentions of Lottie Pecher & Denise Sprankle
	5:00pm	† Christopher Zorcr
Sunday 8/30	8:00am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	† Norman Schriver
Monday 8/31	8:00am	Intentions of Amber Constable
Tuesday 9/1	8:00am	† Chris Wagner
Wednesday 9/2	8:00am	† Potrenela Haki
Thursday 9/3	8:00am	Intentions of Aleejandra Evans
Friday 9/4	8:00am	Intentions of Ginette Evans
Saturday 9/5	8:00am	Living & Deceased Members of Alice & Milton Sites Family
	5:00pm	† Bernard Hrycenko
Sunday 9/6	8:00am	† Elizabeth LaPlante
	10:30am	People of the Parish

St. Rita Mass Intentions

Saturday 8/29	9:00am	Intentions of Justin Robertson
	4:30pm	† Bill Gillard
Sunday 8/30	8:30am	† Marilyn Crawford
	11:00am	People of the Parish
Monday 8/31	9:00am	† Martha Ellen Owings
Tuesday 9/1	9:00am	† Edna May Devlin
Wednesday 9/2	9:00am	Intentions of Darren Clark
Thursday 9/3	9:00am	Intentions of Jared Faulkner
Friday 9/4	9:00am	† Ronald Koller
Saturday 9/5	9:00AM	† Souls in Purgatory
	4:30pm	† Frank & Mary Prochazka
Sunday 9/6	8:30am	† Grace & Frank Leibold, Catherine & Arthur Lowrie, Sr.
	11:00am	People of the Parish

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St. Mary's Flowers in the Sanctuary are

in memory Chad Sprinkle and Joe Pecher donated by Denice Sprinkle.

St. Rita's Flowers in the Sanctuary are

in gratitude for all parishioners who volunteer their talents and time in the parish and in their community, donated by Mike & Eileen Luttrell.

St. Mary's & St. Rita's Religious Education:

Registration forms are now available for the 26-27 school year for students Preschool (4 years old) through 8th grade. Please email stmaryschurch.religioused@gmail.com or call/text Allie Harris at (717) 977-8516. **Forms need to be returned by August 30th.**

There will be a Second Collection

at both Churches for the repairs and maintenance of the property.. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Mary's Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

There will be a meeting Thursday, September 3rd, at 7PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

St. Mary's Donut Social

Sunday, September 6th, sponsored by the Religious Ed Teachers, after the Sunday, morning Masses. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary Prayer Group and Rosary

Next Rosary outside Sept. 5th at Ventura's, Fairfield, at 12PM. Please contact Bryce Miller 717-640-1971 for info. .

St. Rita's Ladies Society Meeting

next meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 9th, at 9:45AM in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

St. Rita's Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

will be Thursday, September 10th, at 7PM in the parish hall. All members please attend.

Blue Mass We will celebrate the 911 Memorial at the 8AM Mass on Friday, Sept. 11th. At this Mass we will also honor our First Responders from the Police, Fire & EMS, Nurses, Caregivers, and Teachers who serve our community. Please come out to give these men & woman your thanks. A small reception will follow after the wreath laying at St. Mary's.

That Man is You, TMIY, returns this year on September 12th. All adult men of St. Mary's and St. Rita's Parishes are invited to join us. This year's program is *Revelation of the Father*. It is a renewal that will restore fathers, rebuild marriages, and strengthen families. The program starts on Saturday mornings with breakfast at 6:15, videos at 6:45, group discussion at 7:15 and dismissal at 7:45. You can just attend and jump into this new content without any issues. For information call Dick Heibel at 717-338-2044.

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. Landings is a ten-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 on Saturday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m.** If you are interested, please email Mary Grist megrist12@gmail.com or fill out the form on the yellow cards on the table in the foyer of the church and deposit it in the box marked Yellow Cards or put it 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.

Catoctin Pregnancy Center's 2026 Run for Life Father Darin Didi-er Memorial Run

At Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, Maryland on Saturday, September 12. Time 700AM Registration, 9AM 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk, 930AM 5K Run/Walk. Entry fee \$25.00. Flyer on the bulletin boards and registration forms are on the tables at the entrance to the Church building.

St. Mary's Forty Hours: Forty Hours will be begin on Sunday, September 13th, after the 10:30AM Mass and continue through Tuesday September 15th. It will be around the clock Adoration. This year will be our homilist will be Fr. Andrew Heidebaugh, from St. Joseph's in Mechanicsburg. The service begins each evening at 7PM. The closing service will be Tuesday at 7PM. Please sign up on the board in the foyer for an hour of Adoration during our parish celebration of 40 Hours 9/13-15. The one-hour visits answer the request Jesus made during his agony in the Garden of Olives before his Crucifixion and Death on Good Friday when he asked, "Could you not watch with me one hour?" However, if you cannot commit to an hour, please stop in at some point at least for a few minutes to bring your joys and sorrows to the One who loves you unconditionally!

Ruth's Harvest - students at the Fairfield schools eligible for the free lunch program are also eligible to receive food for weekends from Ruth's Harvest-Fairfield, a local non-profit entering it's 12th year. St. Mary's will have the first of five collections for this school year on Sep. 12-13. All food must be single servings and not require refrigeration. Some of the most needed items are plastic cups of Chef Boyardee, vegetables, fruit and macaroni & cheese, microwave popcorn and juice boxes. Last year St. Mary's contributed 2808 servings of food donated by parishioners or purchased with parishioner donations. Each week about 50 children received a bag with over 20 food items. If you would like to volunteer with Ruth's Harvest please contact Karen Graff at 717-408-5537 or piratefans@comcast.net. Thank you!

Have you tried to read and understand the Bible, only to give up after a few weeks?

Starting September 22 and 24, St. Rita's and St. Mary's will be offering **The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation**, a Bible study that helps you understand the big picture of the Bible – from Genesis to Revelation. Please see the flyer located in the foyer for more information and register before September 4th by contacting Jan Dilulio at stri-ta.sfteam@gmail.com or Mary Grist at megrist12@gmail.com or submit the form found on the flyer.



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