

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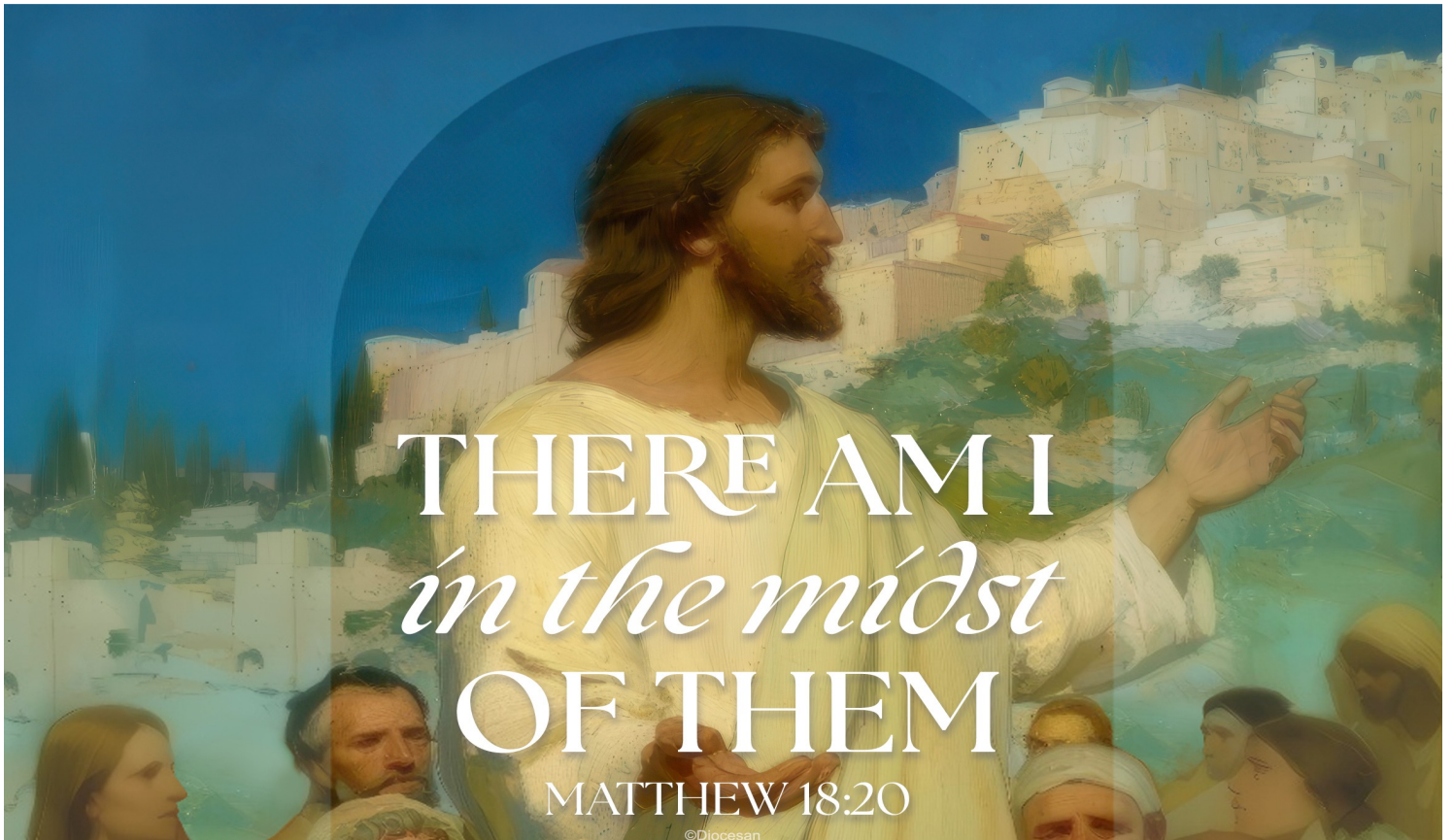
Mass Schedule Saturday • 4:30pm Sunday • 8:30 & 11:00am

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. **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-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2026

Our Stewardship

August 30, 2026

St. Mary

Sunday

\$2,133

St. Rita

Sunday

\$3,273

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 6, 2026

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

Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

St. Mary	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
9/12 5:00pm	B. Liska/D. Sanders/D. Ritchie	S. Grazulewicz	Volunteers	K. Gerstner/J. Farkas
9/13 8:00am	K. & L. Farabaugh/K. Campbell	E. Oleskey	Volunteers	T. & J. Tippet
9/13 10:30am	A. Bohn/B. Carr/P. Leicester	M. Grist	Volunteers	M. & K. Powell
St. Rita	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Money Counters
9/12 4:30pm	J. Kuhn/D. Gallo	A. Shepard	Volunteers	9/13 A. Serpi
9/13 8:30am	D. Fawks/E. Luttrell	M. Luttrell	Volunteers	9/20 F. Ganoe
9/13 11:00am	G. Crawford/S. Sappington	P. Cliber	Volunteers	9/27 M. Lawrence

St. Mary Mass Intentions

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
Monday 9/7	8:00am	† Terry Sites
Tuesday 9/8	8:00am	† Philip Tardif
Wednesday 9/9	8:00am	† Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 9/10	8:00am	† Marlin & Barbara Six
Friday 9/11	8:00am	Intentions of Donna & Roger Butt
Saturday 9/12	8:00am	† Dan Butt
	5:00pm	† Marlin & Barbara Six
Sunday 9/13	8:00am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	Intentions of Bruce Carr

St. Rita Mass Intentions

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
Monday 9/7	9:00am	Intentions of Lauren Hays
Tuesday 9/8	9:00am	Intentions of Gordon & Murf Fath
Wednesday 9/9	9:00am	Intentions of Sandra Grazulewicz
Thursday 9/10	9:00am	† Fr. Michael A. Messaro, MSSCC
Friday 9/11	9:00am	† Marilyn Crawford
Saturday 9/12	9:00AM	Intentions of Sandra Grazulewicz
	4:30pm	† Michael Paul Jascur
Sunday 9/13	8:30am	† Paul Burlett
	11:00am	People of the Parish

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Rita

St. Mary's Flowers in the Sanctuary are in memory of Bernard Hrycenko donated by the Hrycenko Family.

St. Rita's Flowers in the Sanctuary are in memory of our parents, Art & Catherine Lowrie and Frank & Grace Leibold, donated by Jim & Barb Lowrie.

Today 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 Donut Social Sunday, after the morning Mass in the Parish Hall. Sponsored by the Religious Ed Teachers.

Parish Office Closed Monday September 7th. Thank you.

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.

Second Collection Next weekend at both Churches for Peter's Pence Collection. Thank you

Prayer Shawl Meeting Monday, September 14th, at **8:30AM** at St. Mary's Church.

Knights of Columbus Council 12250 Meeting will be held at 7:30PM on Monday, September 14th, at the St. Mary's Church.

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Holy Hour on September 16, 2026 at 5:00PM at St. Mary's.. This Holy Hour will be for the Conversion and Healing of our Country. All parishioner are invited.

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.

Anointing of the Sick and Prayers for Healing at Both Parishes will be offered Saturday, September 12th, after the Vigil 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.

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!

St. Rita's International Dinner/Potluck Saturday, September 19th, 530PM, following the Mass at 4:30PM. Sign up sheet in Vestibule for Head Count. Please bring food in disposable containers, beginning at 4PM. You may also sign up for Potluck or ask questions by phone. Beverage provided. Call or text Dottie Fawks 240-220-4998.

St. Rita's Donut Social Sunday, September 20th after the morning Masses in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited.

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