

July 19, 2026



ST. RITA IN THE DESERT

Catholic Church

CLERGY

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WEEKEND MASS

Horario de Misas

SATURDAY | Sábado

5:00 pm—English

SUNDAY | Domingo

8:00 am—English

10:00 am—English

12:00 pm—Spanish

WEEKDAY MASS

IN SHRINE | Misa

Diaria en el Santuario

MONDAY-FRIDAY |

De Lunes a Viernes

8:00 am—English

ADORATION

FRIDAY | Viernes

8:30 am—9:30 am

In the church or by
appointment

En la iglesia o por cita

CONFESSION

Confesiones

SATURDAY | Sábado

3:30 pm—4:30 pm

In the church or by
appointment

En la iglesia o por cita



PARISH OFFICE

Horario de Oficina

MONDAY-

WEDNESDAY | De

Lunes a Miércoles

8:30 am—4:00 pm

THURSDAY | Jueves

8:00 am—2:00 pm

FRIDAY | Viernes

CLOSED

Office closed

12pm—1pm daily

PARISH DIRECTORY



16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

"The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." ~Matthew 13:43

"Los justos brillarán como el sol en el reino de su Padre." ~Mateo 13:43

Reflection:

In the parable of the weeds among the wheat, Jesus teaches us about patience and discernment. Just as the farmer allows both weeds and wheat to grow until harvest time, we are called to live in a world where good and evil coexist. It's a reminder that final judgment belongs to God, who sees the whole picture. The challenge is to nurture the wheat within us—the virtues, acts of love, and faith that reflect God's goodness—while trusting in God's perfect timing for justice and mercy.

Socratic Question:

How can you practice patience and allow God's wisdom to guide you when dealing with challenges or 'weeds' in your life?

Reflexión:

En la parábola de la cizaña entre el trigo, Jesús nos enseña sobre la paciencia y el discernimiento. Así como el agricultor permite que crezcan tanto la cizaña como el trigo hasta la cosecha, estamos llamados a vivir en un mundo donde el bien y el mal coexisten. Es un recordatorio de que el juicio final pertenece a Dios, quien ve el cuadro completo. El reto es sembrar el trigo dentro de nosotros—las virtudes, acciones de amor y fe que reflejan la bondad de Dios—mientras confiamos en el tiempo perfecto de Dios para la justicia y la misericordia.

Pregunta socrática:

¿Cómo puedes practicar la paciencia y permitir que la sabiduría de Dios te guíe al enfrentar desafíos o 'cizañas' en tu vida?

Source: *Truthly App*

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PARISH INFORMATION

MASS INTENTIONS INTENCIONES DE MISA

Saturday July 18

5:00 pm

†Gloria Saari

Sunday July 19

8:00 am

St. Rita

10:00 am

Living & Deceased of St. Rita

12:00 pm

†Antonio & Cruz Martinez
SI Robert Rapa

Monday July 20

8:00 am

Men & Women in the Military

Tuesday July 21

8:00 am

World Peace

Wednesday July 22

8:00 am

Sick & Suffering of St. Rita

Thursday July 23

8:00 am

First Responders

Friday July 24

8:00 am

St. Rita Office Staff

COLLECTIONS | COLECTA

July 12, 2026



Offertory: \$6,247.99
Rectory Debt: \$462.00
Campus Maint: \$225.60
Outreach: \$1,584.00

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God bless you!

<https://www.osvhub.com/stritainthedesert/giving/funds>

BULLETIN DEADLINE & QUESTIONS

Email bulletin request(s) to:

bulletin@stritainthedesert.org

By **10am** on the **Wednesday** before the *Sunday* you want it published.

HOMEBOUND EUCHARIST

If you have a family member or know of a parishioner in the St. Rita area in need of having the Eucharist brought to them regularly, please contact the Parish Office.

EMERGENCY ANOINTING OF THE SICK

520-543-8415

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

In accordance with Canon 948, if any faithful would like the Mass to be offered for their individual intention only, please make your request at the Parish Office.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- Fridays following 8am Mass for 1hr
- 1st Sunday of each month at 3-4pm in the John XXIII



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Every 1st Friday at 8am Mass

BAPTISMS

Visit [stritainthedesert.org](https://www.stritainthedesert.org)
[LITURGY](#) [SACRAMENTS](#) [BAPTISM](#)
and complete the *Intent to Baptize*
Form



CONFIRMATION

Contact Youth Minister or OCIA director

MARRIAGE

Marriage arrangements must be made 4 months in advance. Visit <https://www.stritainthedesert.org/marriage> for more information.

OFFICE OF THE PASTOR | OFICINA DE PASTOR

July 19, 2026

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

Today's Scripture readings reveal a God who is both merciful and compassionate. While God judges evildoers, He is slow to anger and patient with His people. Scripture also reminds us that God's justice is rooted in grace, for none of us can stand on our own without the help of the Holy Spirit.

Today's Gospel continues the theme from last week's message about the seed and the good soil. Although we have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God, the Kingdom of God is already present among us in the Church.

As the Church continues her journey toward sanctification and purification through faith in Christ, we are reminded that none of us is perfect. God patiently waits for our repentance, always extending His mercy and inviting us back to Himself. As members of God's Kingdom, we are called to forgive ourselves and one another, and to pray for each other as we strive to grow in holiness and live as faithful disciples in today's world.

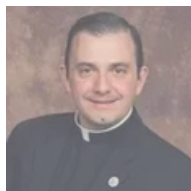
As part of our ongoing efforts to strengthen parish leadership, the Amazing Parish Leadership Team and I will host a spiritual retreat for all parish ministry chairs, ministry members, parish volunteers, and our Religious Education volunteers. The retreat, Rooted in Mission: Living Our Core Values for the Parish of Today and Beyond, will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2026. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by Holy Mass at 9:00 a.m. Ministry chairs have received registration forms and will be contacting their members to register. We look forward to sharing this exciting vision for our parish with all of you.

Lastly, I will be away on vacation, visiting Chiapas, Mexico. I will be out of the parish beginning July 22 and will return July 31. Please keep me in your prayers, as I will keep all of you in mine.

May God bless you and keep you always!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Alonzo M. García, Dean



19 de julio de 2026

Bendito seas, Padre, Señor del cielo y de la tierra; porque has revelado los misterios del Reino a los sencillos.

Estimada familia parroquial y amigos:

Las lecturas de la Sagrada Escritura de este domingo nos muestran a un Dios lleno de misericordia y compasión. Aunque Dios juzga el pecado, es paciente y lento para enojarse con su pueblo. La Escritura también nos recuerda que la justicia de Dios está fundada en su gracia, porque ninguno de nosotros puede mantenerse firme por sus propias fuerzas sin la ayuda del Espíritu Santo.

El Evangelio de hoy continúa el mensaje del domingo pasado sobre la semilla y la buena tierra. Aunque todos hemos pecado y estamos lejos de la gloria de Dios, el Reino de Dios ya está presente entre nosotros por medio de la Iglesia.

La Iglesia sigue caminando hacia la santidad y la purificación por medio de la fe en Cristo. Al mismo tiempo, recordamos que ninguno de nosotros es perfecto. Dios espera con paciencia nuestro arrepentimiento, siempre dispuesto a recibirnos con su infinita misericordia. Como miembros del Reino de Dios, estamos llamados a perdonarnos a nosotros mismos, a perdonar a los demás y a orar unos por otros mientras seguimos creciendo como discípulos de Cristo en el mundo de hoy.

Como parte de nuestros esfuerzos por seguir fortaleciendo el liderazgo de la parroquia, el Equipo de Liderazgo de Amazing Parish y yo ofreceremos un retiro espiritual para todos los coordinadores de ministerios, sus integrantes, los voluntarios parroquiales y los voluntarios de Educación Religiosa. El retiro, titulado Arraigados en la Misión: Viviendo Nuestros Valores Fundamentales para la Parroquia de Hoy y del Futuro, se llevará a cabo el sábado 22 de agosto de 2026. El registro comenzará a las 8:30 a.m., seguido de la Santa Misa a las 9:00 a.m. Los coordinadores de cada ministerio ya recibieron los formularios de inscripción y se pondrán en contacto con sus integrantes para registrarlos. Nos llena de alegría poder compartir con ustedes esta nueva visión para nuestra parroquia.

Por último, estaré de vacaciones visitando Chiapas. Estaré fuera de la parroquia del 22 al 31 de julio. Les pido que me tengan presente en sus oraciones, así como yo los tendré presentes en las mías.

¡Que Dios los bendiga y los cuide siempre!

READINGS & OBSERVANCES

FIRST READING:

"For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all." (Wisdom 12:16)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in kindness to all who call upon you." (Psalm 86:5)

SECOND READING:

"The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought." (Romans 8:26)

GOSPEL:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field." (Matthew 13:31)

Sunday, July 19

Wis 12:13, 16-19 | Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 | Rom 8:26-27 | Mt 13:24-43

Monday, July 20

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8 | Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 | Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 21

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 | Ps 85:2-8 | Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 22

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 | Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 | Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday, July 23

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 | Ps 36:6-11 | Mt 13:10-17

Friday, July 24

Jer 3:14-17 | Jer 31:10-13 | Mt 13:18-23

Saturday, July 25

2 Cor 4:7-15 | Ps 126:1-6 | Mt 20:20-28

THIS WEEK

Knights of Columbus

- Installation of Officers **Saturday, August 8th** after the 5pm mass. All are invited to attend.
- Baby Bottle Drive; return to a Knight by **Aug 2**. Together, we can make a lasting difference for REACHOUT Women's Center.

Youth Ministry

Looking for a place to belong? St. Rita's new Youth Group begins this August! Join us for faith, friendship, and fun as we grow together in Christ. Bring a friend! More details coming soon.

Adult Formation

Is God Calling you?

OCIA is for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic, those baptized in another Christian tradition, and baptized Catholics who have not yet received First Communion or Confirmation.

Wherever you are on your faith journey, we invite you to explore what the Church has to offer. Inquiry Sessions begin Sunday, **August 16, at 11:30 a.m.**

Learn more and submit an interest form at: StRitaInTheDesert.org/Adult-Formation.

Reserved Parking for Families with Young Children

Beginning August 1, the two parking spaces directly in front of the Parish Center will be reserved for families with young children. These spaces are available whenever you attend Mass or parish activities and will remain reserved through July 31, 2027. Thank you for bringing your children to Mass. We are blessed to have your family at St. Rita!

For more announcements please see our FULL bulletin online.

PARISH NEWS

Rectory Debt Payoff

As of Sunday, July 12, 2026

\$137,577 **\$345,000**
GOAL

147 **500**
FAMILY PLEDGED/DONATED GOAL

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2026

It Takes a Parish

A festival isn't built by a committee.
It's built by a community.

Over the past several months, parishioners from many ministries have stepped forward to help shape this year's Harvest Festival.

Their ideas, talents, and generosity are helping create something larger than any one person could accomplish alone.

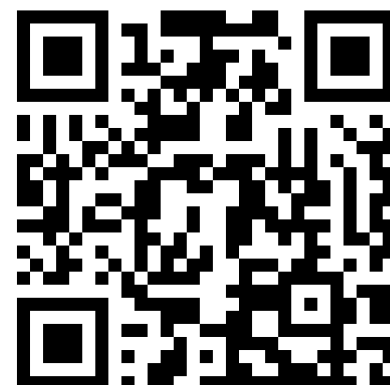
And the beautiful thing is this:

There's still room for more people to be part of the story.

Next week: How you can help create memories that will last long after the festival ends.

Never Miss Our Bulletin!

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

MATTHEW 13:24-43

Picture yourself standing in the tranquil fields where Jesus shares the parable of the weeds and the wheat. As you listen to His words, imagine the farmer sowing good seed. Yet, in the stillness of night, an enemy secretly plants weeds among the wheat. With time, both grow together, indistinguishable at first. The farmer's servants want to pull out the weeds immediately, but the farmer wisely advises them to wait until harvest, so as not to uproot the wheat accidentally. This reflects God's patience and discernment, reminding us that He sees deeper into the heart, knowing the full story.

Consider how God calls us to respond with patience and mercy in our own lives. Instead of rushing to judge or "uproot" what we perceive as wrong, Jesus invites us to nurture the good within us and around us, trusting that God will rightly separate and gather at the appointed time. This challenges us to focus on personal growth and love, providing space for God's work to unfold in others, even those we might see as challenging.

Socratic Reflection:

How can you cultivate patience and a spirit of mercy when encountering difficult people or situations, trusting in God's ultimate judgment?

MATEO 13:24-43

Imaginate de pie en los tranquilos campos donde Jesús comparte la parábola de la cizaña y el trigo. Mientras escuchas Sus palabras, imagina al agricultor sembrando buena semilla. Sin embargo, en la quietud de la noche, un enemigo planta cizaña entre el trigo. Con el tiempo, ambos crecen juntos, indistinguibles al principio. Los siervos del agricultor quieren arrancar la cizaña de inmediato, pero el agricultor sabiamente les aconseja esperar hasta la cosecha, para no arrancar el trigo accidentalmente. Esto refleja la paciencia y discernimiento de Dios, recordándonos que Él ve más profundo en el corazón, conociendo toda la historia.

Reflexiona sobre cómo Dios nos llama a responder con paciencia y misericordia en nuestras propias vidas. En lugar de apresurarnos a juzgar o "arrancar" lo que percibimos como incorrecto, Jesús nos invita a nutrir el bien en nosotros y a nuestro alrededor, confiando en que Dios separará y recogerá adecuadamente en el momento oportuno. Esto nos desafía a enfocarnos en el crecimiento personal y el amor, brindando espacio para que la obra de Dios se desarrolle en otros, incluso aquellos que podemos ver como difíciles.

Pregunta Socrática:

¿Cómo puedes cultivar la paciencia y un espíritu de misericordia al encontrar personas o situaciones difíciles, confiando en el juicio final de Dios?

DID YOU KNOW...

16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

On July 19, 1969, American astronaut Neil Armstrong and his crew on Apollo 11 were on their way to making history with the first manned landing on the moon, which would happen the following day, July 20. This monumental event marked a significant achievement in space exploration and a defining moment of the 20th century. The mission is famously remembered for Armstrong's words as he stepped onto the lunar surface: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

This mission not only showcased human ingenuity and persistence but also served as a powerful reminder of the capacity to overcome great challenges through unity, courage, and faith in the vision that transcends earthly boundaries.

Reflecting on this historic occasion, consider how the human spirit's drive to explore and discover can lead us to greater understanding and appreciation of God's vast creation. How does this spirit of exploration inspire you to explore new horizons in faith and personal growth?

How does knowing about figures like Erasmus enrich your understanding of Church history and its development?

via truthly app

SAINT SPOTLIGHT



ST. MARY MAGDALENE

Feast Day: July 22nd

Patronage:

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the patron saint of ecology and the environment, as well as Native American peoples.

Story: St. Mary Magdalene is one of the most prominent figures in the Gospels. She is often identified as a woman from whom Jesus cast out seven demons, mentioned in Luke 8:2. Mary Magdalene followed Jesus throughout His ministry, supporting Him and the disciples. She is best known for witnessing Jesus' crucifixion and being the first to encounter the Risen Christ outside the empty tomb, a moment recorded in John 20:1-18. In this encounter, Jesus commissions her to announce His resurrection to the apostles, earning her the title "Apostle to the Apostles."

Legacy: St. Mary Magdalene's devotion and love for Christ are powerful examples of transformation and witness. Recognized for her faithful service and profound encounter with the Risen Lord, her life is a testament to the power of conversion and redemption. Her role in announcing the Resurrection highlights the importance of women in the early Church and throughout salvation history. In 2016, Pope Francis elevated her liturgical memory to a Feast, emphasizing her significance in the Church.

Reflection Question: How does Mary Magdalene's transformation from a life of struggle to a profound encounter with Christ inspire you to seek a deeper relationship with God, even in areas where you struggle or feel broken?

KIDS CORNER



Feast Day: July 22nd

Who was Saint Mary Magdalene?

St. Mary Magdalene is a special saint for people who want to change their lives for the better, people who are sorry for doing something wrong, and for girls and women.

Her Story:

St. Mary Magdalene was a very important friend of Jesus. She had some tough times at first and even struggled with demons. But when Jesus met her, He healed her and helped her become one of His most faithful followers. Mary Magdalene loved Jesus very much and supported Him and His friends.

She was very brave and stayed with Jesus during His crucifixion when many others were too scared. After Jesus died and was buried, Mary Magdalene was the first person to see Jesus alive again. Imagine how surprised and happy she must have felt! Jesus told her to go and share this amazing news with His other friends, the apostles. That's why she's often called the "Apostle to the Apostles."

Her Legacy:

St. Mary Magdalene shows us how anyone can change their life with God's help, no matter how hard things seem at first. Her love for Jesus and her courage in telling others the good news inspire us to be brave and share our faith too. Pope Francis decided that she should have a special feast day to celebrate her important role in the Church.

Question to Think About: How can Mary Magdalene's story inspire you to turn to Jesus when you need help or when things are tough?

Source: *Truthly App*

KNIGHTS NEWS

OUR SINCERE THANKS

Thank you to our parish family for supporting the Knights of Columbus in sending a Special Olympics athlete to the 2026 USA Summer Games in Minneapolis. Thanks to your generosity through egg sales, donations, and prayers, Team Arizona Softball brought home a **silver medal!** We are deeply grateful for your support in making this unforgettable experience possible.

Thank You

Farm Fresh Egg Sales Return

The Knights of Columbus will resume selling farm fresh eggs after all Masses on the **first and third weekends of each month, beginning July 18–19.**

Proceeds will support youth programs at St. Rita, including St. Joseph Youth Camp, altar server retreats, Religious Education scholarships, and our new Youth Ministry.

Thank you for supporting the youth of our parish!

KNIGHTS BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

Have you picked up your baby bottle yet?

There's still time to participate! Simply take a bottle after Mass, fill it with change, cash, or a check (payable to Knights of Columbus), and return it to a Knight by **August 2.**

Together, we can make a lasting difference for REACHOUT Women's Center.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Red Cross Blood Drive – August 9

Give the gift of life by donating blood at the **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Sunday, **August 9.** Your donation can make a lifesaving difference for someone in need.

Special August Offer: Those who donate blood, platelets, or AB Elite plasma **August 1–31, 2026**, will receive a **\$20 Amazon.com Gift Card** by email.

* For details, visit RedCrossBlood.org/August.

Thank you for supporting this important ministry of service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING

Recycle your aluminum cans in the collection barrels next to the St. Vincent de Paul donation shed.

Please remember:

- Aluminum cans only (no glass, paper, steel cans, or trash)
- Place cans in securely tied bags
- No clothing donations—please take clothing to the Vail Resources Thrift Store across the street

Need help? Ask a Knight wearing a maroon council shirt.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (Tucson) September 4–6, 2026

If the emotional and spiritual wounds of a past abortion have left you feeling isolated or strained in your faith, you do not have to carry that burden alone.

Sign up now for a confidential, supportive retreat open to men and women. Discover hope, healing, and renewal. Visit www.rachelsvineyardtucson.org.

Call/Text: 520-743-6777.

St. Joseph Catholic Church – SANCTUARY 215 South Craycroft – Tucson

Evening of Eucharistic Adoration, worship, & healing for all men & women throughout the Diocese.

TUESDAY EVENING
JULY 21, 2026
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Questions: call Erin at 520.631.1408
www.vineofgrace.org

NEED A PLACE TO GATHER?

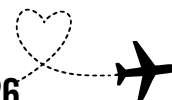
St. Rita Hall is available for receptions, luncheons, showers, anniversaries, birthdays, funeral receptions, business meetings, and other special occasions. Seats up to **70 guests**.

For availability and scheduling, contact the Parish Office: 520-762-9688 | secretary@stritainthedesert.org

12-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND & EASTERN

EUROPE

NOVEMBER 3–14, 2026



Join us as we visit **Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow, Wadowice, Auschwitz, Czestochowa, and Warsaw** while deepening our faith and exploring our Catholic heritage.

All-Inclusive Cost: \$4,649

Includes airfare, hotels, taxes, daily breakfast, most dinners, motor coach transportation, tour guide, admission fees, and gratuities.

Only a few seats remain! Registration deadline: **July 15**.

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SAINTS THIS MONTH

July 1

- [St. Junipero Serra](#)
- [Aaron the High Priest \(OT\)](#)

July 2

- [St. Otto of Bamberg](#)

July 3

- [Saint Thomas, Apostle](#)

July 4

- [Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati \(to be canonized in 2025\)](#)
- [St. Elizabeth of Portugal](#)
- [St. Ulrich of Augsburg](#)
- [Hosea the Prophet \(OT\)](#) or October 17

July 5

- [St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria](#)

July 6

- [Saint Maria Goretti](#)

July 7

- [Bl. Ralph Milner](#)
- [St. Fermin](#) – or September 25

July 8

- [St. Kilian](#)

July 9

- [Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions, Chinese Martyrs](#)
- [St. Veronica Giuliani](#)

July 10

- [Sts. Rufina and Secunda](#)

July 11

- [Saint Benedict of Nursia](#)

July 12

- [St. John Gualbert](#)
- [Sts. Nabor and Felix](#)

July 13

- [St. Henry](#)
- [Ezra the Scribe \(OT\)](#)
- [Joel the Prophet \(OT\)](#) or October 19

July 14

- [Saint Kateri Tekakwitha](#)
- [St. Camillus de Lellis](#) (outside the US)

July 15

- [Saint Bonaventure](#)

July 16

- [Our Lady of Mount Carmel](#)

July 17

- [St. Marcellina](#)
- [St. Alexius](#)

July 18

- [St. Bruno of Segni](#)
- [St. Camillus de Lellis](#) (in the US)

July 19

- [St. Macrina the Younger](#)

July 20

- [St. Apollinaris](#)
- [Elijah the Prophet \(OT\)](#)

July 21

- [St. Lawrence of Brindisi](#)
- [St. Praxedes](#)
- [Daniel the Prophet \(OT\)](#) or December 17

July 22

- [Saint Mary Magdalene](#)

July 23

- [St. Bridget of Sweden](#)
- [St. Liborius of Le Mans](#)
- [Ezekiel the Prophet \(OT\)](#) or April 10

July 24

- [St. Sharbel Makhluf](#)
- [St. Christine the Astonishing](#)

July 25

- [Saint James the Greater, Apostle](#)
- [St. Christopher](#)

July 26

- [Sts. Joachim and Anne](#)

July 27

- [St. Pantaleon](#)

July 28

- [Sts. Nazarius and Celsus](#)
- [Pope St. Victor I](#)

July 29

- [Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus](#)
- [Sts. Simplicius, Faustinus, and Beatrix](#)

July 30

- [St. Peter Chrysologus](#)

July 31

- [Saint Ignatius of Loyola](#)

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PARISH CONNECTIONS



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- **Office Hours**
 - Mon-Wed: 8:30 am-4:00 pm
 - Thur: 8:00 am-2:00 pm
 - Fri: CLOSED
 - Daily: Closed: 12pm-1pm
- **Staff Directory**



WORSHIP

- **Mass Times**
 - M-F (Shrine) - 8am
 - Sat (St. John XXIII) - 5pm
 - Sun (St. John XXIII) - 8am | 10am | Noon (Sp)
- **Confession**
 - Sat (St. John XXIII) - 3:30p-4:30p
- **Adoration**
 - Fri (Shrine) 8:30a-9:30a
 - 1st Sunday of each month (St. John XXIII): 3-4pm



SACRAMENTS

- Baptism
- Marriage
- Anointing
 - Every 1st Friday at 8am Mass
- Funerals



GROW IN FAITH

- OCIA | Adult Formation
- Children's Formation ~ *coming soon*



GET INVOLVED

- Ministry Directory



PRAYER & CARE

- Prayer Requests (online)
- Request a Mass Intention (online) ~ *coming soon*
- Pastoral Care



STEWARDSHIP

- Online Giving
- Parish Support
- Reserve a Legacy Bench



NEW TO ST. RITA?

- Join St. Rita Parish
- New to the Catholic Faith



STAY INFORMED

- Calendar
- Weekly Bulletin
- Website

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Youth Ministry:
Leah Sides

OCIA Coordinator:
Michelle Quinn Crowley

Parish Directory



Campus Map



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