



St. Rita

CATHOLIC CHURCH WEST ALLIS, WI

Welcome to St. Rita

We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we would be happy to welcome you into our parish community.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Friday Closed

Pastoral Staff

Administrator
Fr. Charlie Zabler Ext. 21
czab.strita@wi.rr.com

Pastoral Associate
Barbara Krieger Ext. 39
barb.strita@wi.rr.com

Pastoral Musician
Kevin Bourassa Ext. 31
kbour.strita@wi.rr.com

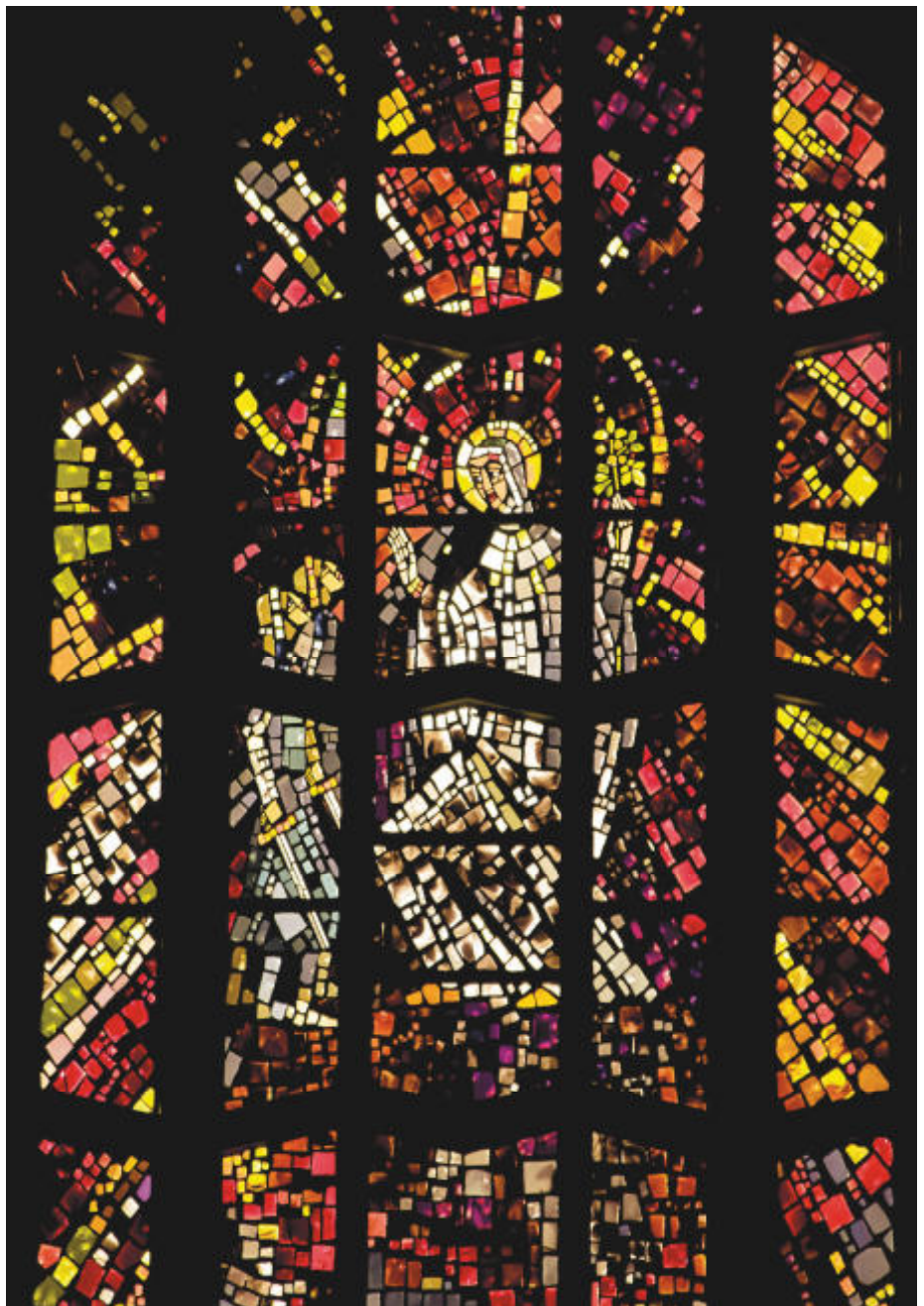
Business Office Ext. 15

Pastoral Council

DeAnna Grebe Chairperson
Rudy Erickson Secretary

Trustees

Pat Mitchell Jeff Anich



From the Desk of Fr. Charlie...



Have I told you today that I love you?

Many definitions of "love" slide off our lips with casual usage of our language. Many are the meanings of the word "love" when said on purpose. Both of these styles of communicating about love have become so similar that we now need to consider them in the light of today's scripture.

We celebrate friendships with cards and candy and such signs of remembrance. Approaching St. Valentine's Day, we are well aware of the need to admire and embrace those dear to us. Once again, the distinction is clear how different are the relationships that fall under the umbrella of those we love.

Consider the love of God, the relationships of parent and child, the love of brothers and sisters, the committed bond or covenant of partners as the most significant love we can experience. The struggle to express love requires us to be very consistent, forgiving, honest and genuine. The struggle to express our love for one another is often stressful and trying. This so often feels contradictory to what love means yet due to the depth of feelings offered and made vulnerable being loving can be difficult in relation to its rewards. Love sustains fidelity to God and those entrusted to us to love.

Friendship requires we love those familiar to us. We love those with whom we share social activity, community interaction and participation in the institutional structures of work, school, church and political affiliations of us. This can certainly evoke varying degrees of affection and intimacy. The stuff we all need to be healthy members of our society. From a chat over a beer or coffee, a hug or hand written note can reinforce "the love called friendship."

To love ultimately means we care for one another. To love God, family and friends will demand of us a loving response. This is apparent to us all. Yet, to love only those close to us undermines our responsibility to care for all people. Yes, love has a social responsibility which must also flow from our capacity to be generous lovers to all who are in need.

Fr. Charlie



Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for the February 16th / 17th bulletin is Thursday, February 7th no later than 10:00 a.m.

From the desk of the Pastoral Association...

Cabin Fever Reliever

Thanks to all who braved the elements and joined us. Lots of great chili, (thanks Jim), chili dogs, fries and plenty, plenty of fabulous desserts!

And the winners were:

Banaszynski / Biesiada / Schnell / Bulowicz "Family";
Leukam / Fr. Charlie "Family";
Bowlin / Meeker "Family" (they really are a family);
Kevin / Don / Kathy / David / Jim "Family".**
** they "claim" to be the BIG winners!!!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

I just wanted to take a minute to introduce you to our Candidates:

Rebecca Sobczak, married, has an adorable daughter named Alice;
Danielle Shandley, sister of Rebecca. (If the name sounds familiar, it should. Their sister Emily was in last year's "class." Emily also just got engaged);
Daniela Nieves, married.

All three are Candidates for Confirmation. During Lent we will be attending Mass together, rotating among the Masses, so you will get a chance to meet them.

I would also like to thank "my" Team for their help and support. They are Greta Bowlin and Cory Biesiada.

Religious Education Classes

Just a reminder - there are NO CLASSES today, Sunday, February 3rd. Classes resume for K4 - grade 11 on Sunday, February 10th.

Stay warm . . . stay safe.

New Member Welcome Brunch

Our next New Member Welcome Brunch for those who have joined the Parish between November 1st - January 31st, is Sunday, February 10th at 11:30 a.m.

This is a great opportunity to meet other new members as well as representatives from some of the Committees as well as the Pastoral Council.

RSVP is required.

Blessings,

Barbara

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, February 2

4:30 p.m. For the People of St. Rita Parish

Sunday, February 3

8:00 a.m. † Anthony D'Amato

10:30 a.m. † Richard and Daniel Revall

Tuesday, February 5

8:00 a.m. † Joseph Behr

Saturday, February 9

4:30 p.m. † Rosemarie Huber

Sunday, February 10

8:00 a.m. † Jerry Banaszynski

For the People of St. Rita Parish

10:30 a.m. † Delores Potochick

February Tabernacle Light

In Loving Remembrance

Week 1:

Week 2:

Week 3:

Week 4: Charles Wolf



Readings for the Week of February 3rd

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17/
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/
Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9,
10-11/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8/
1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Liturgical Publications Inc.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 3

No Religious Education Classes

Monday, February 4

6:30 p.m. Bible Study Chapel

Tuesday, February 5

10:30 a.m. Bible Study Chapel

6:00 p.m. First Eucharist Parent / Child Meeting
Church

6:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Convent

Wednesday, February 6

9:00 a.m. Earth Angels Convent

6:30 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal Church

6:30 p.m. Human Concerns Committee
Parish Office Complex

Thursday, February 7

6:30 p.m. Parish Life Committee
Parish Office Complex

6:30 p.m. Vocal Choir Rehearsal Church

Sunday, February 10

9:00 a.m. Grade School Religious Education
Classes Day School

9:00 a.m. High School Religious Education
Classes Parish Office Complex

BLOOD DRIVE



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Blood Drive

Monday, February 11

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM



Location: Church Hall

All attempting donors will receive a limited edition pair of "It's My Type" socks as a thank you for your dedication to saving lives - while supplies last!



To schedule your appointment, visit bit.ly/OLQL0211 or call BloodCenter at 877-232-4376.

For more info contact Sandy Trinastic at 414-521-5474.

Appointments encouraged.

Refreshments provided.



bcw.edu

Phone: 877-232-4376 | 414-521-5474

Facebook: www.facebook.com/bloodcenter

Twitter: [www.bloodcenter](https://twitter.com/bloodcenter)



#ImAHero

Support your local blood center. It's the only way to keep the lights on.

Be a Hero. Donate Blood

BLOODCENTER
OF WISCONSIN
PART OF VERSITI



ROMAN ELECTRIC

Plumbing, Heating & Cooling

Residential Work

640 S. 70th St.

414-471-8565

ATTORNEY
Gary A. Glojek
General Practice
6212 W. Greenfield Ave.
414-774-3414
Serving West Allis For Over 75 Years



Funeral Home

Family Owned & Operated

5920 W. Lincoln Ave. | Paul Schaff, Parish Member

414-541-7533 • www.schafffuneralhome.com

ROSE LE MOINE
BAUMAN • REALTY Inc.
Giving Personalized Service
For Over 28 Years
FREE Market Analysis
Parish Member
414-476-9888

Leslie A. Sauer, CPA, LLC
Parish Member
TAX RETURN PREPARATION
Milwaukee, WI
262-424-5955
www.lesliesauer CPA.com

WEST ALLIS HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING
Service • Installation
Gas • Oil • Hydronic
Emergency Service
LENNOX
HOME COMFORT SYSTEMS
A better place™
1827 S. 76th St. 543-2800

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE

Contact Rich Clark to place an ad today!
rclark@4LPi.com or (800) 950-9952 x2571

MITCHELL MANOR WEST ALLIS
SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

FIVE STAR SENIOR LIVING™
Assisted Living, Rehab,
Skilled Care & Adult
Day Services
5301 W. Lincoln Ave.
414.615.7200

GENE A. WAGNER PLUMBING
A Company You Can Trust.
(414) 541-9217 24 hr.

WEST ALLIS AUTO BODY
Complete Auto Body Repair & Painting
8808 W. National Avenue
Bus.: 327-4140 - Towing: 476-8697
www.westallisautobodyrepair.com

catholicmatch Wisconsin

CatholicMatch.com/WI

Grebe's
Sandwiches & Soup Monday-Friday
Hot Baked Ham & Rolls Sunday
5132 W. Lincoln Ave. 543-7000

A new concept in staffing!
We don't sell you our service, we provide a solution!
4219 W National Ave
Phone: 414-385-9477
Walk in application hours:
Monday - Wednesday 9:00am to 12:00pm

645-1756
BADGER GOURMET HAM
BADGER BOILED HAM
3521 W. Lincoln Ave.
Available in Fine Food Stores

Gunther's Barber & Hair Styling
546-4007
Appointments Preferred
Hours: Mon Closed
Tues-Wed-Thur & Fri: 8-6
Sat: 7:30-1
5824 W. Lincoln • West Allis

AUTO BODY SPECIALISTS LLC
COMPLETE AUTO COLLISION REPAIR
6024 W. MITCHELL STREET
FRIENDLY SERVICE • FREE LOANERS
AUTOBODYSPECIALISTS@HOTMAIL.COM
WWW.AUTOBODYSPECIALISTSLLC.NET
545-9211
VINCE DI BELLA

DORSHAK Tree Specialists
Family Owned & Operated Since 1987
24 - Hour Emergency Storm Service
Business/Commercial Snow Services
• Complete Tree Service • Fully Insured
• Insect & Disease Specialists
• ISA Certified Arborists On-Staff
262-783-8733
www.dorshaktree.com

MEDICARE-SUPPLEMENTAL-LIFE-HEALTH
health markets
NANCY A. TOWLE
Licensed Agent
WEST ALLIS
414-687-1687
ntowle@HealthMarkets.com
www.HealthMarkets.com/ntowle

SPREAD THE WORD
A Thriving, Vibrant Community Matters
SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

Online Shopping for Catholic Gifts of Faith
www.parishstore.com

VMP HEALTHCARE & COMMUNITY LIVING
A full continuum of care under one roof!
• Independent Apts
• Assisted Living
• Memory Care
• Skilled Nursing
• Out-Patient Rehab
• Ventilator Care
(414) 607-4100
VMPcares.com

Bruskiewitz Funeral Home
Celebrating 100 Years of Service
1912 - 2012
5355 W. Forest Home Avenue
414-321-1700
Bus: 541-3648 Member B.B.B.

PROTECTING SENIORS NATIONWIDE
MEDICAL ALERT SYSTEM
\$29.95/MO PLUS SPECIAL OFFER
BILLED QUARTERLY
CALL NOW! 1.877.801.7772
WWW.24-7MEDALARM.COM

LES'S GLASS SERVICE
10111 W. Forest Home Ave.
529-1114

ALLIS AUTOMOTIVE CENTER
6205 W. Lincoln Avenue
Ron Stroika
• Complete Automotive Service
• Electronic Work

BURGARINO CHIROPRACTIC OFFICE
2511 N. 124th St. • Ste. 125
Brookfield, WI 53005
262-789-1955
OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT

Bevsek - Verbick Funeral Homes
Cremation Services
10210 W. Lincoln Ave.
West Allis
414-546-4342 ~ bvfh.net
Family Owned & Operated Since 1989

414.988.9051
Cermak FRESH MARKET
Local and imported fresh produce and groceries
www.cermakfreshmarket.com
1541 Miller Parkway West Milwaukee

It's all about trust!
DERZON COIN & JEWELRY
Monday through Friday
10am - 5pm
Family owned for over 60 years. Congregant.
We are here to assist with buying and selling gold and silver, rare coins and estate jewelry.
You just might be sitting on a goldmine!
2069 South 108th St. 414-543-8833
West Allis, WI 53227 www.derzoncoins.com