



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.

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Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
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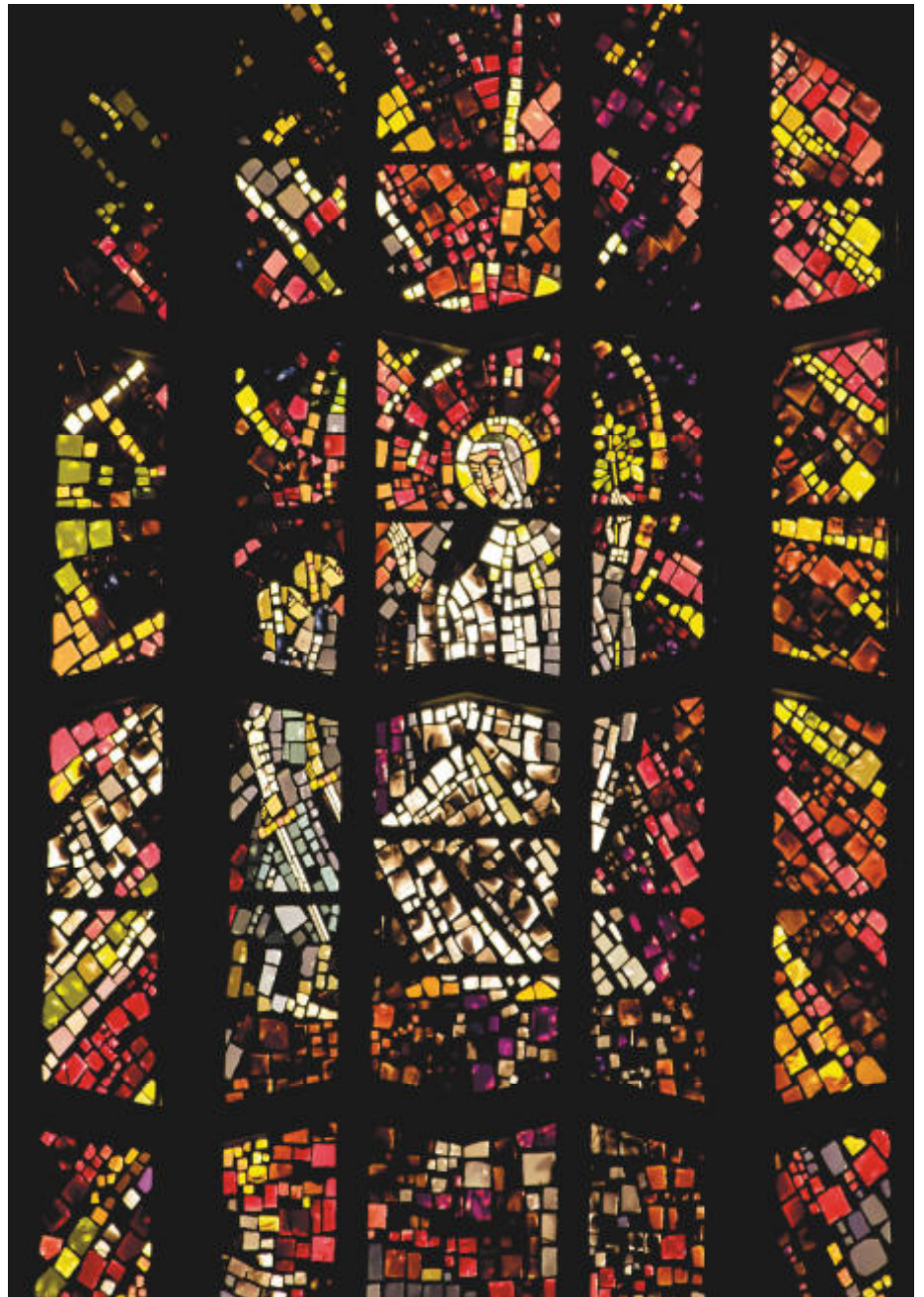
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From the Desk of Fr. Charlie...



Good vs. Evil

The poignant readings of today's Mass remind us of the struggle between good and evil. The question calls into focus the matter of trust. The reality of the need for trust often becomes the crux upon which we engage or put off the confrontation with evil; although allowing it to continue and fester.

The death of Officer Matthew Rittner, serving a warrant to a suspected drug and arms dealer, reminds us of the commitment of those who engage evil for the sake of the common good and the order of society. There is no trust factor from the source of an evil threat; the trust remains with those who stand alongside those who take the risk even at the potential cost of life itself.

Evil exists! We all know it from our knowledge of history, scripture, stories of our families and the events of our own lives. Yet we are also witnesses of a greater factor and that God is good, life is good and we hope good will endure the victor in every struggle. Dark clouds have silver linings. This metaphor is our conviction that in the end the good guys win the victory!

Regrettably many who encounter an evil often become bitter and resentful. A few episodes can certainly taint the outlook on life of any so burned by reality. Yet, the coming together of the comrades who have faced the agony of combat, integrity of first responders, compassion of counsellors, therapists, clergy and friends who have suffered alongside them reveal the richness of compassion.

Compassion is to suffer with, to suffer alongside, to understand pain of another. Compassion is witnessed by those who have now placed black tape on their badges, report today for another tour of duty, bravely face the unknown with courage but hyper sensitive due to such events. The proof of the greater victory of good over the evil which took a life might be found in this: The officers at the scene did not take the life of the offender. How brave, how professional, how compassionate was a decision in the face of terror. In the spirit of compassion let us pray for all involved especially the family and partners of all in law enforcement as well as those who commit evil against the innocent.

Fr. Charlie

From the desk of
the Pastoral Associate...

Update ...

Many of you have been calling / texting asking about Robin. He is doing pretty well. He is having a little trouble keeping his temperature up, so they have moved him back to an isolate. He has slowly been gaining weight, and is now back up to his birth weight (4 lbs., 4 oz.) Hopefully they will be able to remove the feeding tube soon. Due to my cold, I am not able to visit ... bummer, so pictures will have to do.

Please keep those prayers coming, we greatly appreciate it.

Hospitality

Hospitality this weekend is hosted by the Scouts. After receiving some feedback, and a very generous donation, Hospitality will now offer hot chocolate!

So, stay after Mass and catch up with some old friends, or maybe meet a couple of new ones.

Pathfinders Dinners

Our Parish sponsored Pathfinders dinners have been going very well. (Once we got past the initial glitch in the schedule.) There are three more Parish sponsored dinners, and two more high school sponsored dinners for this year.

Next year we will look to pick up one more high school dinner and perhaps two more Parish sponsored dinners.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated and is amazing!!!

Blessings,

Barbara



Southside Meal Program

This Friday, February 22nd, is our Friday to provide for the Southside Meal Program. Please remember to bring your food to the server's entrance off the parking lot. If you have any questions, please call Sarah Walendowski at 414-837-6193 or Chris Crowbridge at 414-327-3932.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, February 16

4:30 p.m. † Ceranowski Family

Sunday, February 17

8:00 a.m. For the People of St. Rita Parish

10:30 a.m. † Victor Mikecz

Tuesday, February 19

8:00 a.m. Caregivers to the chronically ill

Saturday, February 23

4:30 p.m. † Geraldine Dachs

Sunday, February 24

8:00 a.m. † Miller and Mischczak Families

10:30 a.m. † Charles Wolf

For the People of St. Rita Parish

February Tabernacle Light

In Loving Remembrance

Week 1:

Week 2:

Week 3: Deceased Members of St. Rita Parish

Week 4: Charles Wolf



Readings for the Week of February 17th

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 4, 6/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 17 *Hospitality Weekend*

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

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Candidate / Sponsor
Meeting Church

Monday, February 18

6:30 p.m. Bible Study Chapel

Tuesday, February 19

10:30 a.m. Bible Study Chapel

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

Wednesday, February 20

9:00 a.m. Earth Angels Convent

6:30 p.m. Finance Council Meeting
Parish Office Complex

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

Thursday, February 21

6:30 p.m. Vocal Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, February 22

Southside Meal Program

Sunday, February 24

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

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



In Loving Memory

God has called home **Kenneth Kasseckert**, may he rest in the peace of the Lord.

Mass Intentions & Tabernacle Lights

Do you have loved ones you would like to remember in a special way? We have many dates available this year for Mass Intentions and several weeks available for Tabernacle Lights. Please call or stop by the Parish Office to schedule the dates. The stipend for a Mass Intention is \$10 and a one-week period for the Tabernacle Light is \$25.



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