



# 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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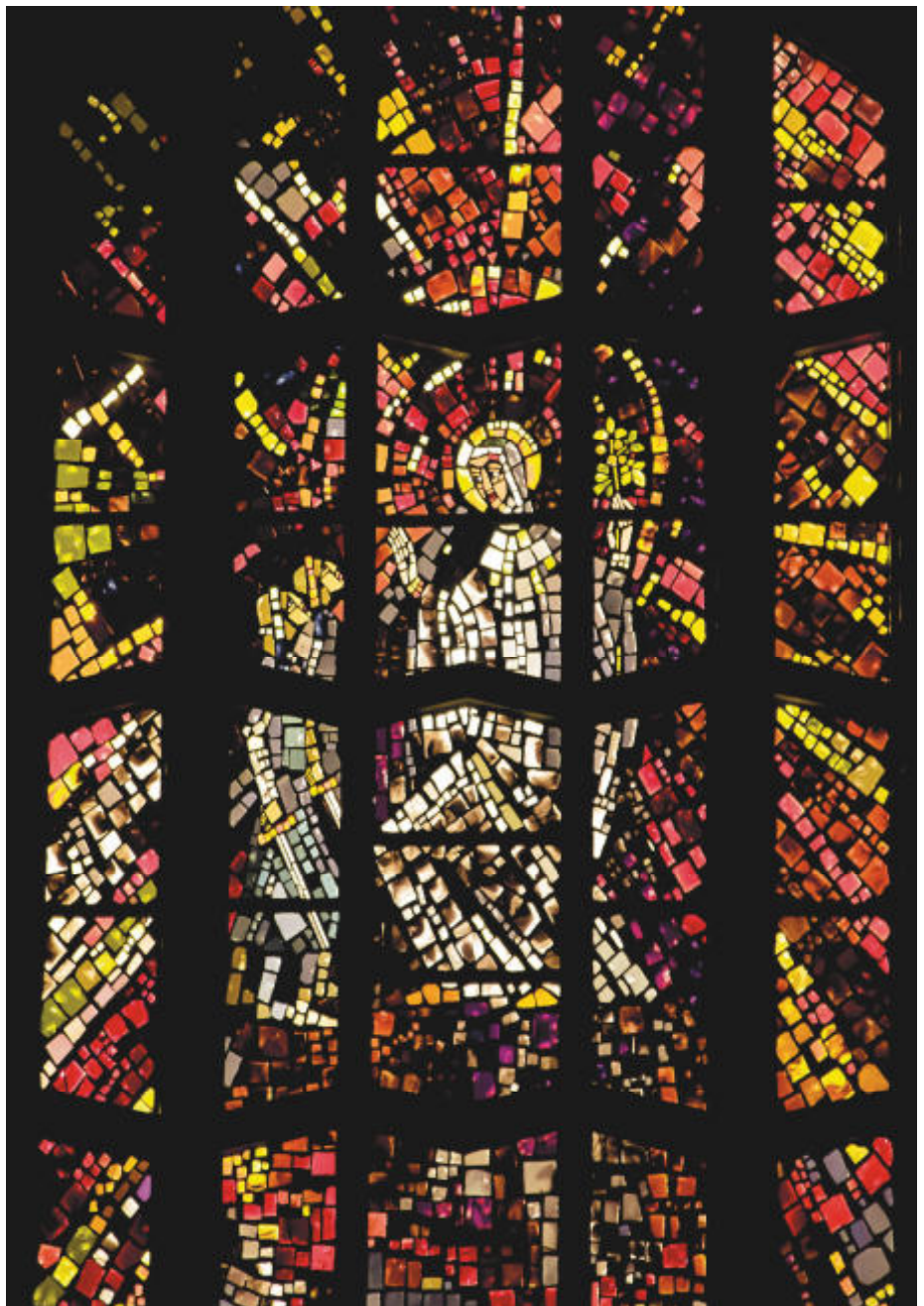
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## From the Desk of Fr. Charlie...



The teachings of Jesus were hard for the people of his day and age to hear. Sometimes, enlightened as we are, we find His teachings hard to swallow. We, as a people, are reacting often to many factors which get caught up in the net of unresolved conflict among us. The divisiveness of attitudes in society today and the treatment of such issues as “crisis happening now” can certainly inflame the sensitivity we all have toward hearing of hardship, hate, criminal activity and wrong doing among us.

We seem to be numb to all the tribulations in the world, yet we get “breaking news” on our phones and TV. We have the choice of following the events of the world through the avenue of media which most of us find to our liking. We don’t understand how others can be so dull-witted about social, moral and ethical questions when they do not reach the same conclusion that we do. No, we are not as numb as we might like to think.

When was the last time you found yourself in a situation confronted by news of something gone wrong? Who was to blame? Where did you place blame? Did you investigate the issue because it was there and impacted you? Did you have the honesty to say, “Hey, why do you think I need to know that information about someone or something?” as if it were a concern of yours?

We are a people who must often do difficult things. We must deal with issues which can be very uncomfortable, issues which madden our heart and soul. Yet, we must remember we are more than simply bystanders watching the events of others’ lives. We have a life of our own to monitor, discipline and maintain before God and those with whom we share our lives influence.

We must do more than “turn the other cheek.” We must do more than “pass on what we have come to know.” We must do more than pass judgment on others when we ourselves have deserved the judgment of others. For Christ’s sake, we must be the first to forgive and thus promote the reconciliation of all involved. No wonder they rejected his teaching! Yet we cannot do so because he has not rejected us!

*Fr. Charlie*

From the desk of  
the Pastoral Associate...

## Update . . .

Robin continues to do quite well. He is steadily gaining weight, is out of the isolate and keeping his temperature up. The next hurdle is getting the feeding tube out. In order for that to happen Robin must stay awake and take 80% of his feeding by mouth. So far he has one good feeding, and the next one is a little tired. All in all he is making great progress.

We really appreciate your prayers, thank you.

## Mardi Gras Potluck

How did this happen? Kept thinking the Mardi Gras Potluck isn’t until almost the beginning of Lent, plenty of time!!! Well, guess what? That’s almost here . . .

MARDI GRAS POTLUCK  
SUNDAY, MARCH 3<sup>rd</sup>; 11:30 A.M.  
Arnold Hall

Plan on joining us. Bring a dish to pass, and feel free to bring your own beer / wine. Sign-up sheets are at each entrance, or call the office, or email me at [barb.strita@wi.rr.com](mailto:barb.strita@wi.rr.com).

TIME TO PARTY!!!!!!!

Blessings,

*Barbara*

## Just a Friendly Reminder

The first full weekend of each month there is a basket in front of the altar. For the past 35+ years, St. Rita Parish has been helping our sister Parish, St. Rose, located at 33<sup>rd</sup> and Michigan. The money collected helps to support their food pantry and their ministry. So, please, bring an extra dollar or two. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated and much needed.

## Mass Intentions & Tabernacle Lights

Do you have loved ones you would like to remember in a special way? We have 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.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

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

Tuesday, February 26

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

Saturday, March 2

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

Sunday, March 3

8:00 a.m. † Greg Wozney

10:30 a.m. † Fred MacAdam  
† Miriam Carrillo

## 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 24<sup>th</sup>

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*

Monday: *Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29*

Tuesday: *Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/  
Mk 9:30-37*

Wednesday: *Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/  
Mk 9:38-40*

Thursday: *Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50*

Friday: *Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/  
Mk 10:1-12*

Saturday: *Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/  
Mk 10:13-16*

Next Sunday: *Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16/  
1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45*

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## The Week Ahead

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

Monday, February 25

6:30 p.m. Bible Study Chapel

Tuesday, February 26

10:30 a.m. Bible Study Chapel

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

Wednesday, February 27

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

Thursday, February 28

6:30 p.m. RCIA Parish Office Complex

6:30 p.m. Vocal Choir Rehearsal Church

Saturday, March 2

9:00 a.m. RCIA Retreat ChristPond

Sunday, March 3

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

11:30 a.m. Mardi Gras Arnold Hall

## In Loving Memory

God has called home Mary Jane Janz, may she rest in the eternal peace of the Lord.



## Southside Meal Program

The Southside Meal Program needs to update our volunteer list. We are looking for a couple of tuna casserole bakers, a driver for every other month and a couple of servers for monthly help. We volunteer on the fourth Friday of the month at the SVdP site at 9<sup>th</sup> & Madison. If you are interested, please call your coordinators Sarah Walendowski (414-837-6193) or Chris Crowbridge (414-327-3932).

*Thank you!*



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