

St. Rita

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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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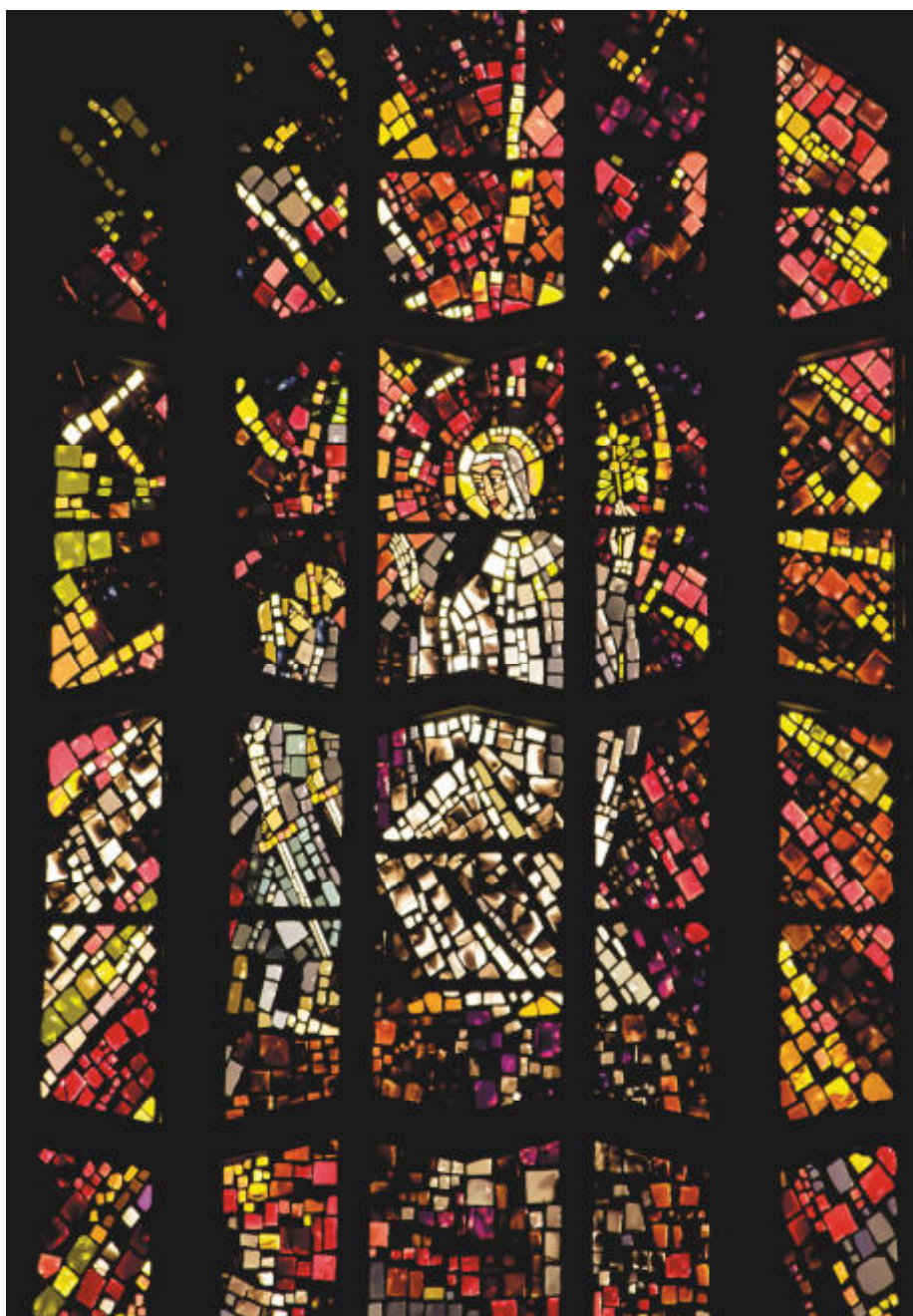
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From the Desk of Fr. Charlie...



First Sunday of Lent

In order that we might "frame" our spiritual lives we need to go to our roots, the early history as recorded in scripture and incorporated into our tradition of ethics, morals, definition of community, discipleship and worship as developed through the ages.

We need to frame our history and our memories that we might formulate a richer understanding of our heritage of faith. That which was, is and will be forever present in our minds, our hearts and the enduring gifts of art, music and architecture. These cultural symbols support what we believe from generation to generation.

In today's Gospel it is revealed to us that Jesus rejects the worldly temptations and from what has been he proclaims a new kingdom, new concept of power and the assurance flowing from the relationship with the God of the universe.

Lent is a fortunate and richly focused avenue for us to look at our lives. I have a question for you. What do you see when you look into a mirror? What do you see reflected in the images that are framed in your home? What happens within you when you look at the framed images in your home, place of work or the place you enjoy your favorite beverage?

As you all know I am in the process of settling into a new home. The framed art which hung in the other house is looking for an appropriate place to hang in the new residence. I have decided to try something new: I will rotate the various pieces of art from time to time. The place where one lived is not the same as the new place one calls home. Just as we find a new house, so too we have to find new ways of looking at the framework of our lives.

Consider your life and your life of faith. How would you frame your integrity, your honesty, your passions and your capacity to love and be loved? This Lent, let us reframe our lives as we look at new ways of framing our faith!

Fr. Charlie



Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for the March 23rd / 24th bulletin is Thursday, March 14th no later than 10:00 a.m.

From the desk of
the Pastoral Associate...

Update . . .

In case you haven't heard, Robin went home! His weight on March 1st was 5 lbs. 10.5 oz. I will get to meet him / hold him / hug him March 8 - can't wait!!

We cannot thank you enough for your encouraging words and prayers, thank you so, so much.

Mardi Gras Potluck

Thanks to all who participated. 59 people were in attendance - good company, good conversation and great food!!

Be sure to watch next week's bulletin for details on our April 6th event . . . think you might be surprised!!

Thanks also to the Parish Life Committee for their help in planning, coordinating and carrying out these fun events.

Always looking for new members . . .

RCIA

Beginning today (Saturday, March 9th), and continuing the weekends during Lent, the adult Confirmation Candidates will be rotating Masses. This way, everyone will get a chance to meet them. During the Mass, we will be dismissed so we can "Break Open the Word." It simply means that during this last phase before the Easter Vigil, we will use this opportunity to further discuss, and reflect on the Scriptures, as well as discuss how God is working in and through each of us.

During this Lenten season, I ask you to keep Daniela, her Sponsor Ericka, Rebecca, her Sponsor Patty, and Danielle her Sponsor Emily in your prayers.

Hospitality

Next weekend is Hospitality and will be hosted by Human Concerns. It's also St. Patrick's Day! I heard that the hot chocolate went over quite well. Perhaps this time we should make it green???

So plan on hanging around for a bit after Mass and enjoy some "hospitality."

SOMETHING NEW

Also next weekend, there will be representatives from each Committee / Ministry available to explain what each Committee does, answer any questions. Perhaps you will find something that interests you!

Blessings,

Barbara

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, March 9

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

Sunday, March 10

8:00 a.m. † Alvin Dompke

10:30 a.m. † Charles Wolf

Tuesday, March 12

8:00 a.m. † Victor Mikecz

Saturday, March 16

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

Sunday, March 17

8:00 a.m. † Albert Winkler

10:30 a.m. † Lee Roy Wagner

† Leo Bonzelet

† Chuck Wolf

March Tabernacle Light

In Loving Remembrance

Week 1: Walter Blatter

Week 2:

Week 3: Charles Wolf

Week 4:



Readings for the Week of March 10th

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15/
Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/
Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 10

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

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

Monday, March 11

6:30 p.m. Bible Study Chapel

6:30 p.m. Festival Committee Arnold Hall

Tuesday, March 12

10:30 a.m. Bible Study Chapel

Wednesday, March 13

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

Thursday, March 14

6:30 p.m. RCIA Parish Office Complex

6:30 p.m. Vocal Choir Rehearsal Church

Sunday, March 17 *Hospitality Weekend*

No Religious Education Classes

SVDP Quarterly Report for 10/01/18 - 12/31/18

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Rita meets every first and third Tuesday monthly in the St. Rita Convent at 6:30 p.m. All registered members of St. Rita are eligible to join. We have 12 active members.

The beginning balance in our treasury was \$930.56. Our receipts were \$ 163.00 from members' donations, \$ 2,114.00 from our church collections and \$ 4,547.55 from other donations. We disbursed \$ 2,313.97 in aid to the poor.

This quarter, we provided food to 241 people (including 86 children), furniture vouchers to 30 people, clothing vouchers to 7 people, an appliance to one person and rent assistance to 8 people. The Parish Office staff provided 30 bus tickets so people could go to work or medical appointments. Together we served 338 people (including 38 children) at the South Side Meal program. Our members travelled 181 miles over 199 hours to provide these services.

None of the above would have been possible without the support of the parishioners of St. Rita Parish and the parish office staff. Together we will continue our efforts to help the needy members of our community and hope and pray that our efforts will help improve the spiritual and economic lives of all we encounter.



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