

St. Rita Catholic Church

1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Avenue
Indianapolis, IN. 46202

September 27, 2020

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Rita Catholic Church Mission Statement

We the parish of St. Rita, a Catholic Community of Faith are called by the risen Lord to love God the Father We believe that Ministry is the Power of the Holy Spirit, therefore, we encourage, support and provide opportunities, so that everyone may participate in and be recipients of the Church's Mission Ministry. We aspire to deepen our understanding of Christ's Good News and to Serve our neighbor of the Gospel. We realize the necessity and accept the responsibility to work for justice and human dignity. We realize the necessity and accept the responsibility of supporting ourselves as a parish. We invite everyone to join in celebrating and witnessing the presence of the risen Lord among us.

Parish Office Hours	Mon-Thur 9:00am—4:30 pm
Rectory Telephone Number	317-632-9349
Rectory Fax Number	317-687-0973
Parish Life Coordinator	Sister Gail Trippett, CSJ
Deacon	Deacon Oliver Jackson
Administrative Assistant	Denise Gavia-Currin
DRE/Youth Director	Anita Bardo
Bookkeeper	Angela Guynn
Music Director	Phyllis Walker
Activity Coordinator	Vivian Hill
Parish Council Chair	Kerry Conwell
Finance Council Chair	Sharon Edwards
Management & Operations	Marty Ray

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm Sunday 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 am

Holy Day Masses will be announced

Baptism by Appointment

St. Rita Church Website www.stritaindy.church

St. Rita Secretary stritasecretary71@yahoo.com



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KINGDOM

"Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God

before you." - Mt 21:31

ST. RITA CHURCH INFORMATION

Weddings

Engaged couples must contact the Parish Life Coordinator no later than six months prior to the actual wedding day: This Archdiocesan regulation is to allow sufficient time for the couple to make adequate preparation to receive the sacrament.

Sick Calls

Anytime - notify the priest. In case of hospital emergency, ask a nurse to call the chaplain or St. Rita Parish at 317-632-9349.

Death Funerals

Please contact the Parish Life Coordinator, Sister Gail Trippett CSJ, immediately to arrange services.

Religious Education

Please call the Rectory or Anita Bardo

New Parishioners

Kindly register at the Rectory upon arrival.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 9:00 a.m (1) week prior to publication.

Send email to: stritasecretary71@yahoo.com

Pope Francis Quote: "The mercy of God has no limits if one turns to Him with a sincere and contrite heart; the question for one who doesn't believe in God lies in obeying one's conscience. Sin, also for those who don't have faith, exists when one goes against one's conscience."

September, Month of Mary's Seven Sorrows

5th Sorrow-Crucifixion of Jesus

Mary prayed with Jesus through his journey to Calvary, his crucifixion, and accepting John as her new son.

6th Sorrow-Jesus Taken Down from the Cross

Nicodemus came with the spices used in Jewish burial. They bound Jesus' body with spices and wrapped him in linens. Mary faced a mother burying her son before she passed.

7th Sorrow-Jesus Laid in the Tomb

They laid Jesus in the tomb with no knowledge of the outcome. Mary faced wondering if the angels' words, "You will bear a son and he will be the savior of the world," were realized.

MASS INTENTIONS

11:00 am	Sunday	September 27	Father Joe
	Sister Veronica Okoroafor		
	Thanksgiving Mass & Graduation Celebration		
No Mass	Monday	September 28	
11:00 am	Tuesday	September 29	Father Andy
No Mass	Wednesday	September 30	
11:00 am	Thursday	October 1	Father Andy
No Mass	Friday	October 2	
6:00 pm	Saturday	October 3	Father Joe
	For the Parish		

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT 20, 2020

Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11
Monday:	Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab,
Wednesday:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]
Thursday:	Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125,
Next Sunday:	Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7]

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

First Reading:

If he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

Second Reading:

Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves. (Phil 2:3)

Gospel:

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him." (Mt 21:32)

SEPTEMBER'S HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

1 DeAngelo Hinton	17 Adrien Gaddie	28 Kennedy Phillips
2 Phyllis Walker	18 Kaleb Brown	29 Willie King
4 Dawn Allen	18 Ciara Clark	
4 Jalen Joseph	19 Felicia Sockwell	
5 Devon Parks	19 Jordan Olarewaju	
6 Carla Conwell	20 Ruth Golden	
11 Sharon Edwards	21 James Parrott	
13 Rosemary Wade	23 Brenda Montgomery	
14 Chris Floyd	23 Chonita Gaddie	
15 Jane Cooley	24 Richard Freeman	
16 David Florence	25 Vivian Hill	
17 Adrien Gaddie	28 Angela Edwards	

MASS TIMES

TUESDAY	11:00 AM, ST. RITA CHURCH (inside)
THURSDAY	11:00 AM, ST. RITA CHURCH (inside)
SATURDAY	4:00 PM, HOLY ANGELS (inside gym) 6:00 PM, ST. RITA CHURCH (inside)
SUNDAY	9:30 AM, HOLY ANGELS SCHOOL (cars) 11:00 AM, ST. RITA CHURCH (inside)

OFFERING

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Church Budget Collections

1st. Collections 1,428.00
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Donations 575.00

Total Budget Collected : \$ 2,059.00

Weekly Budget: \$ 6,247.00

Shortfall/Budget: (-\$ 4,188.00)

Your weekly sacrifice or sharing of your first fruits helps our parish continue its mission, funds our ministries, maintain our church responsibilities and provides resources to our parish. Your contributions can be received:

- Via Bill Pay through your local bank
- Via our online portal:
- **St. Rita: <https://stritaindy.weshareonline.org>**
- Mail in payments-Mail is picked up daily

Holy Angels Calendar Raffle Winners:

Dr. Ken Stone, 9/15, \$25, #809

Twanna Williams, 9/16, \$125, #291

Dawn Upshaw, 9/17, \$25, #768

Mary Shanley, 9/18, \$25, #249

Reflection from Sister Gail

It is easy to profess faith with our speech. What we really believe becomes apparent when our backs are against the wall and a hard decision has to be made. Think back over your life. When the pressure is on, whether emotional pressure or having to make a choice that would mean you are walking alone; "How often did you choose God's way?"

Choosing God's way is often the road less traveled. Many have watched the outcome of those who have followed God, and calculated the ostracism, the pressure that comes with being in the out crowd, the ridicule experienced, the endless gossip endured and have said, "Not for me." That moment of internally saying "not for me," is our choice to turn our back on God. It is the ultimate choice that says to God, "Your way is not worth it." or It says, "I don't feel strong enough to withstand the result of saying yes to you." or It means it's easier to go with the flow.

What if we could physically see the corrosion of our soul each time we said no to the living grace of God? How many holes would be in your soul? How much of your spiritual body would be left? If we had a spiritual mirror that reflected our spiritual likeness versus our physical likeness would you now have no spiritual eyes, no spiritual ears, no spiritual arms, no spiritual legs, and hundreds of holes in the spiritual body that is left? Are you on life support spiritually?

The great thing about God's mercy is that His love and grace can repair every hole and loss of limb. Having the courage to go through the spiritual journey that comes from standing for God no matter the cost; repairs every hole, regrows every spiritual limb lost and sets us on the path to immortality with God. Building spiritual muscle enables us to stop the corrosion process of self-centered living. Self-centered living destroys the grace of the divine body and only earns us the death that belongs to a finite world. God-centered living opens the windows of the infinite world of heaven with God. It takes courage to live a life for Christ. The cost is high because the stakes are even higher. We are seeking to retain the divine love of God in every instance; which leads to an immortal/never dying life with God. Seek to increase in spiritual maturity in every moment granted in this life. Seek the Lord while He can be found. Isaiah 55:6

ST. RITA PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST


Please remember to pray for the sick and shut in:

Mya Davis, Baby Makayla Owens, Baby D.J. Matthews, Emily Williams, Serena Harris, Angela Jones, Rosie Herbert, Sallie Fields, Hazel Beard, Rhonda Hobbs, Jhana Hayes, Clois Jenkins, Frank Ray, Goldene Carter, Maria Amos, Ann Ray, Carol & Carman Dearman, Niikita Liggins, Mel & Minnie Blaylock, Fr. Andy Syberg, Msgr. Tony Volz, Fr. Justin DuVall, Fr. Joe Moriarty & family, Martha Riley, Tina Barber & family, Joann Combs, Bruce Ray, Eddie Carr, Rosemary Lee, Glorianne Messer, Cecelia Wisdom, Benjamin & Erma Hidalgo, Ann Ray, Rosemary Wade, Debra Hardin, David Boone, Linda Johnson, Gary Franklin, Gwen White, Rita Williams, Mary Agnes Brown

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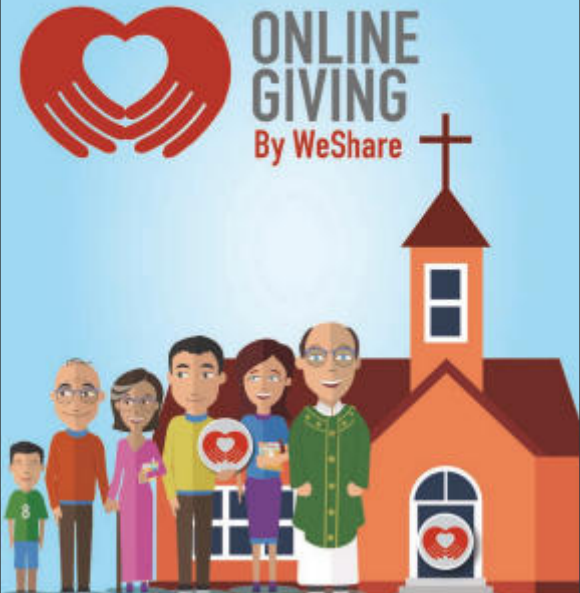


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