

St. Rita Catholic Church

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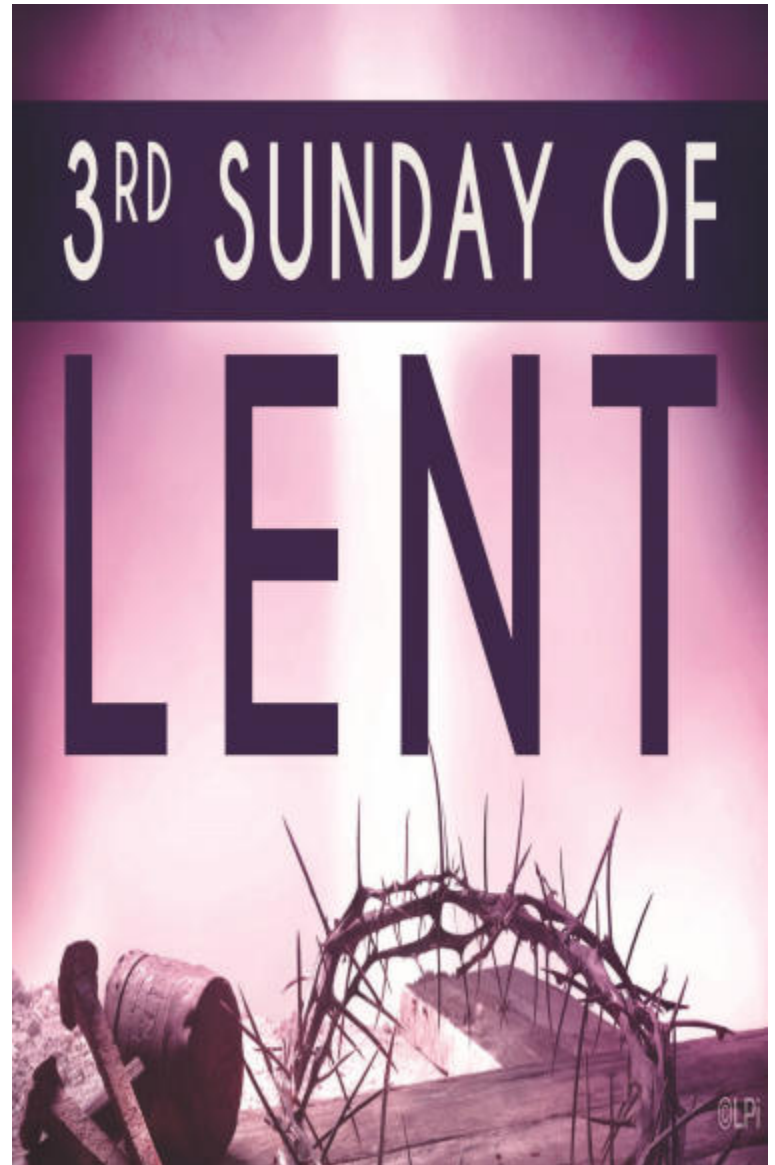
St. Rita Catholic Church Mission Statement

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
Parish Life Coordinator	Sister Gail Trippett, CSJ
Deacon	Deacon Oliver Jackson
DRE/ Youth Director	Anita Bardo
Administrative Assistant	Denise Gavia-Currin
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 Email stritasecretary71@yahoo.com



We are the Hands of Christ through our Outreach Ministries

Keep Indiana Beautiful (St. Rita will be helping to plant trees in the neighborhood)
St. Vincent de Paul-Community support for utility & rent assistance, household furnishings donate every 4th Sunday.

Changing Lives Forever-Breaking the Cycle of Poverty -18 sessions

Next session to be announced

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

FROM ARCHBISHOP THOMPSON:

“An accurate reading of the history of the American hemisphere show that black Christianity has been, and continues to be a Catholic majority, just as Catholicism in the Americas has been and continues to be predominantly non-white. This perspective has been blurred by a biased reporting of our history, which is one reason why it’s so important to tell the stories of Black Catholic in America. It’s also why we need to better understand and appreciate the contributions mad by the women ad men of African descent and appreciate the contributions mad by the women of African descent who are currently “on the road to sainthood” including: Venerable Pierre Toussaint (1776-1853) Servant of God Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange (1784-1882) Venerable Sr. Henriette Delille (1813-1862) Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton (1854-1897) Servant of God Julia Greeley (1833 & 1848-1918) Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA (1937-1990)

Pope Francis Quote:

“Taking upon oneself the name of God” means assuming His reality to ourselves, entering into a strong relationship with Him.

Scrutiny Sunday

Around the world those who are catechumens begin the scrutinies this Sunday...The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good... to give them strengthen in Christ.. And deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.” Let us pray for those seeking to join church this year.

MASS INTENTIONS

11:00 am	Sunday	March	7	Father Andy
No Mass	Monday	March	8	
11:00 am	Tuesday	March	9	Father Andy
No Mass	Wednesday	March	10	Father Andy
11:00 am	Thursday	March	11	Father Justin
No Mass	Friday	March	12	
6:00 pm	Saturday	March	13	Father Andy

For the People of St. Rita Church

VIRTUAL REVIVAL

St. Rita will be hosting a Virtual Revival entitled:

“**Something Happens**” When you call on the name of Jesus. Part II. Join us on March 21, 2021 at 7:00PM. Father Roy Lee from Atlanta has agreed to be our Revivalist. Please mark your calendar today. The link will be provided at a later date.

VIRTUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Please check our website for the link.

<http://stritaindy.church>

ST. RITA SPECIAL FUNDS	CURRENT BALANCE
Bell Tower Fund	\$21,432.63
Tuck Pointing Fund	\$ 1,130.00
Kitchenette Fund	\$8,715.06
Youth Ministry Fund	\$3,867.01
Heat Pump Fund	\$2,269.17
Boiler Fund	\$3,781.17

MARCH 2021/ BIRTHDAYS

1-Dalen Smith	13-Fabiana Oliveira
1-Shirley Vann	16-Mykeal Collins
1-Carmen Dearman	21-Brenda Ray
1-Robert Hinton	22-JoAnn Combs
3-Joyce Venerable	26-Joyce Beaven
3-Phyllis Carr	26-Lukasha Jones
6-Georgia Clark	28-Kevin Joseph
9-Michael Beaven	29-Vicky Hughes
13-Mark Moorman	29-Shannon Messer
	30-Shirley Brown

FIRST FRUITS AND PARISH SUSTAINABILITY

FEBRUARY 27 & 28, 2021

National Collections:

Eastern Europe 15.00	Latin Amer. 15.00
African Mission 15.00	Black & Native Amer. 50.00
Catholic Relief Services 10.00	

Special Collections:

Tuck Ponting 160.00	Heat Pump 150.00
Bell Tower 525.00	Prayer Breakfast 20.00
Lenten Revival 25.00	Postage 25.00

Church Budget Collections:

1st Collections 2,383.00	2nd Collections 53.00
Donations 496.00	Building & Maintenance 150.
Flower Donations 362.00	Church 50/50 5.00
Criterion Subscriptions 90.00	

BUDGET COLLECTED: \$3,539.00

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$6,247.00

SHORTFALL/BUDGET: (-\$2,708.00)

St. Rita: <https://straindy.weshareonline.org>

Support our Parish: Smile.Amazon.com-Select St. Rita as your charity. SCRIP Program coming soon.

Special Collection: Helping the World Community

Second Collection Catholic Relief Services-March 14th.

THIS WEEK SCHEDULE

Saturday: Confirmation classes, March 6, & March 20,

Sunday: CCD ZOOM classes, 9:30AM

Reflection from Sister Gail

Jesus understood what it meant to take the Lord's name in vain. While many think this statement only refers to connecting God's name with cursing it's meaning is much more profound. First let's look at how we have watered down the name of God. Every day prayers go up for this, that and the other. These requests are made in anger, in desperation, or sometimes because of anxiety; yet our tone and intention forgets who we are speaking to.

Sometimes we transfer the disrespect and distrust held for political leaders onto every leader, including God. So, the way God is approached is sometimes with the spirit of entitlement, or you owe me because of what I've gone through, or upset because of the feeling-"I don't deserve this." If were physically in front of God, the magnitude of His holiness, power and grandeur would command reverence. Since we can't see God we can forget how to respond in His presence.

Those in the temple forgot they were in the presence of God, the Almighty, the author of life. They were treating God's presence as if He didn't exist and they were going about buying and selling and looking after their personal comforts. Jesus was offended because he knew who God was. How often do we interact with life, forgetting our every action is done in front of God, the Almighty, the King of the Universe? Contemplate on total holiness. Imagine standing in front of God, whose presence only reveals goodness. Imagine standing front of someone where there is not announce of evil intent. This is our God, or Father, our Creator.

"When Prayers go Up, Blessings Come Down"

Prayer Corner

Call our Prayer line and leave the names of those in the hospital, sick, or names of those who have returned to the Lord. (317) 632-9349-extension

View Mass online:

ST. RITA PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST

Please remember to pray for the sick and shut in:

Vaughn Moore, Samson Olarewaju, Dewayne Keeylen, Adrian Johnson, Kerry Conwell, Mya Davis, Baby Makayla Owens, Baby D.J. Matthews, Emily Williams, Serena Harris, Angela Jones, Rosie Herbert, Sallie Fields, Hazel Beard, Jhana Hayes, Clois Jenkins, Frank Ray, Goldene Carter, Maria Amos, Ann Ray, Carol & Carman Dearman, Niiikita 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, Cecilia 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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