

# St. Rita Catholic Church

1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46202

May 9, 2021

## 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	<a href="http://www.stritaindy.church">www.stritaindy.church</a>
St. Rita Secretary Email	<a href="mailto:stritasecretary71@yahoo.com">stritasecretary71@yahoo.com</a>



## We are the Hands of Christ through our Outreach Ministries

Keep Indiana Beautiful (KIB)  
Tree planting in the neighborhood

Changing Lives Forever  
Breaking the Cycle of Poverty  
Next session TBA (18 sessions)

St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Utility, furniture and food assistance  
Special collection - Every 5th Sunday

## 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](mailto:stritasecretary71@yahoo.com)

**Pope Francis Quote:** "The great leaders of the people of God, like Moses, have always left room for doubt. You must leave room for the Lord, not for our certainties; we must be humble. Uncertainty is in every true discernment that is open to finding confirmation in spiritual consolation."

### Mother's Day Prayer

"Blessed be all mothers Who have come into our lives  
Whose kindness, care and loving  
Remain with us to guide.  
Your inspiration in us  
Made us strive in every way  
Especially to remember  
Helping others makes our day."

### Update COVID Changes:

The following updates will begin in our public Masses:

1. Holy water fonts can once again hold holy water
2. Masks will continue to be worn throughout the Mass
3. The choir will remain at four singers for now due to our space
4. Parishioners will have an option of greater or lesser social distancing. The front half of the church will maintain six feet distancing, and the back half of the church will move to three feet social distancing for those comfortable with less distancing.
5. Missals will return to the pews
6. Sunday bulletins will be available at each Mass
7. We will work on vaccinating altar servers so they may return to ministry
8. All of our lectors are vaccinated
9. Our ushers are vaccinated

## MASS INTENTIONS

11:00 am	Sunday	May 9	Father Joe
No Mass	Monday	May 10	
11:00 am	Tuesday	May 11	Father Andy
No Mass	Wednesday	May 12	
11:00 am	Thursday	May 13	Father Joe
No Mass	Friday	May 14	
6:00 pm	Saturday	May 15	Father Andy

**For The People**

## PANDEMIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Presider	Father Andy Syberg
Lector	Judi Johnson
Cantor	Phyllis Walker/choir
Extraordinary Minister	Father Andy Syberg

## NEW PRIEST ASSIGNMENTS

Due to the reduction in seminary staff, Father Andy and Father Joe's responsibilities have increased. This limits their ability to effectively minister to two parishes. As a result, the Priest Council has selected and Archbishop Thompson has appointed two new priests to serve as our sacramental ministers. We will be welcoming Father Nick Dant and Father Jim Farrell beginning July 7th.

ST. RITA SPECIAL FUNDS	CURRENT BALANCE
Bell Tower Fund	\$21,432.63
Tuck Pointing Fund	\$ 1,130.00
Kitchenette Fund	\$ 8,773.41
Youth Ministry Fund	\$ 3,868.49
Heat Pump Fund	\$ 2,269.35
Boiler Fund	\$ 3,782.49

## MAY 2021/ BIRTHDAYS

1-Irene Patton	29-Tina Barber
3-Benjamin Hidalgo	31-Hazel Beard
10-Dollie Smith	31-Iesha Vitalis
16-Sister Veronica	
18-Julia Guynn	
18-Nannette Blair	
18-Michael Joseph	
19-Elmetra Scheck	
20-Olivia Phillips	
26-Sister Gail Trippett	
26-John Laners	
26-Caleb Legg	
27-Ashlee Wyatt	

## FIRST FRUITS AND PARISH SUSTAINABILITY

May 1 & 2, 2021

### National Collections:

Catholic Home Missions Appeal 25.00

### Special Collections (Placed in ADLF)

Tuck Pointing 165.00

Bell Tower 300.00

Youth Ministry 200.00

### Church Budget Collections

1st Collection/Easter 2,756.00

2nd Collection 84.00

Donations 486.00

Building & Maintenance 225.00

Criterion Subscriptions 110.00

**TOTAL BUDGET COLLECTED: \$ 3,661.00**

**WEEKLY BUDGET:\$6,247.00**

**SHORTFALL/BUDGET (-\$ 2,586.00)**

### Support our Parish:

Smile.Amazon.com-Select St. Rita as your charity of choice. SCRIP Program coming soon.

**Special Collection:** Catholic Communication Campaign-May 16th.

**Blessings Come Down:** Special Prayers for: Samson Olarewaju and Patrick Coleman, Dollie Smith, Ruth Golden and Jack Edwards. Pray for the reposed soul of: Angie Brown

**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.

Please let the office know if there are names to be deleted due to healing or transitioning to new life.

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Tuesday: St. Rita Finance Council, 5:30 PM Virtual  
Wednesday: St. Rita Parish Council, 6:00 PM, Virtual  
Publicity & Marketing Committee Mtg, 12:00  
Thursday: Capital Campaign Committee, 5:30 PM, Virtual  
Saturday: Confirmation Classes, 10:00 AM  
Sunday: CCD ZOOM Classes, 9:00 AM

## Reflection from Sister Gail

"It was not me, but I who chose you." It is always the simple truths that are underestimated the most. The use of exegesis or scholarly documents are common methods to explain scripture. Jesus kept his conveyance of our Father's message laser focused. "Love one another as I have loved you."

His words are simple but packed with billions of years of experience, wisdom and power. The key is entering the quest to love as our Father and Jesus understand love. As we greet life every day we have a new opportunity to grow in this sacred mystery. For it is in the simplicity of the message that the complexity is revealed. This love cannot be explained in its entirety. Its depth is discovered in each millisecond of a moment.

Once you think you have grasped its understanding, your new teacher will show up. Our new teacher is that new moment, experience or person that challenges our thinking, our confidence of life, threatens our comfort zone, or that acts in a malicious way not previously encountered. The question presented to us is, "Will you love as I love in this moment?" The same path is engaged once again, forming new insights, and adding new meaning and understanding if your soul is willing to engage the Trinity.

Does your definition of love extend beyond romantic touch, love of friends, BFF's, those who think like you, your culture, your soul mate, etc.? Does your love include your enemies, those who disrespect you, those who disagree with you, those who...? In essence are you willing to lay down your life to help the second group to reach the height God has for their lives? Are you willing to employ techniques that honor Jesus in the resolution of problems? Are you willing to discover new paths, new methods and new ways of solving life's problems in order to grow in the depth of love Jesus calls us to embrace?

Jesus chose us because he saw this potential in us. Are you meeting him on the road planned to strengthen the divine within? At the crossroad, love always chooses the path that maintains unity on the journey.

## ST. RITA PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST

### Please remember to pray for the sick and shut in:

Shaun Currin, Mary White, Gary Franklin, Samson Olarewaju, Dewayne Keeaylen, Adrian Johnson, Kerry Conwell, Mya Davis, Baby Makayla Owens, Baby D.J. Matthews, Angela Jones, Sallie Fields, Hazel Beard, 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, Gwen White, Rita Williams, Mary Agnes Brown



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