

St. Rita Catholic Church

1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Avenue

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May 16, 2021

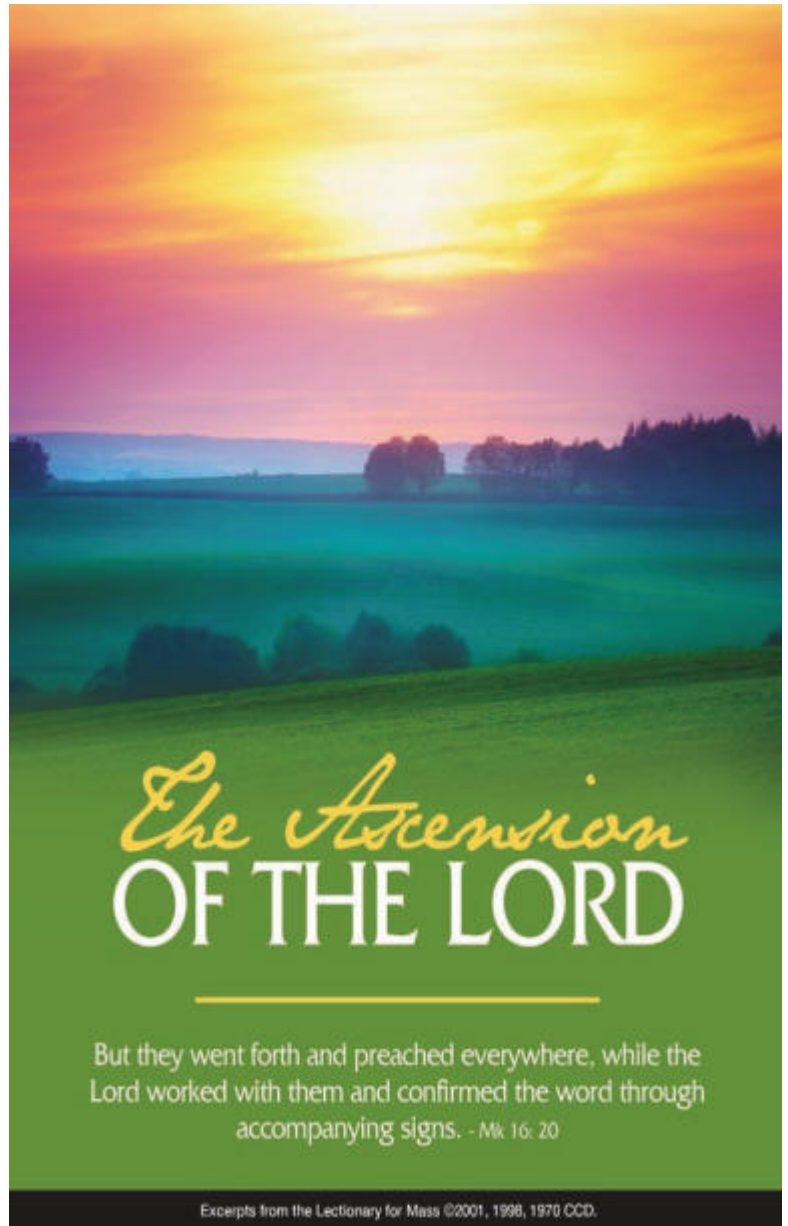
St. Rita Catholic Church Mission Statement

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	www.stritaindy.church
St. Rita Secretary Email	stritasecretary71@yahoo.com



Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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

Pope Francis Quote:

Let us learn to live with kindness, to love everyone, even when they do not love us.

Feast of the Ascension

As we celebrate Jesus ascension in to heaven, we remember he left us the call to continue his mission. This celebration always takes place 40 days after Easter. The Mass to honor the Ascension will take place Sunday, May 16, 2021.

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 16	Father Joe
			Sister Veronica Okoroa/Birthday Blessings
No Mass	Monday	May 17	
11:00 am	Tuesday	May 18	Father Andy
No Mass	Wednesday	May 19	
11:00 am	Thursday	May 20	Father Joe
No Mass	Friday	May 21	
6:00 pm	Saturday	May 22	Father Andy
			For The People

PANDEMIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Presider	Father Andy Syberg
Lector	Ira Hogan
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 8 & 9, 2021

National Collections:

St. Vincent de Paul 25.00

Special Collections (Placed in ADLF)

Tuck Pointing 180.00

Bell Tower 200.00

Youth Ministry 200.00

Church Budget Collections

1st Collection/Ascension 1,536.00

2nd Collection 130.00

Donations 599.00

Building & Maintenance 100.00

TOTAL BUDGET COLLECTED: \$2,365.00

WEEKLY BUDGET:\$6,247.00

SHORTFALL/BUDGET (-\$3,883.00)

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

Special Collection: Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests-May 30th.

Blessings Come Down: Special Prayers for: Pray for the reposed soul of Wanda Gaddie

THANK YOU WITH LOVE!!

Patrick Colman, Jack & Sharon Edwards, Dollie Smith and, Ruth Golden & family would like to Thank Father Andy, Sister Gail, Deacon Jackson, The Fish Fried Ladies, St. Rita Choir, St. Rita Usher Board and St. Rita Church Family for all the cards, phone calls and payers for our Love One 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, 6:30 PM Virtual

Thursday: Sacred Places Committee, 11:45 AM, Virtual

Sunday: CCD ZOOM Classes, 9:00 AM

Reflection from Sister Gail

God is not beguiled by words, or charming ways. He looks at the heart and knows what is said and done in the quiet recesses of our lives. Therein he can tell those who know the voice of Jesus and follows his teachings. The scriptures remind us that we are to be one with Christ, just as he is one with God, our Father.

That oneness is best displayed when you are at odds with someone. The tone of your voice, the choice of words and the intent of your actions display the discipline needed to remain one with God at all times. To overcome one's ego, and refrain from a tart response. To master feelings in such a way that you do not lash back at those who are lashing towards you. To exemplify the ability to walk away rather than fight when another is aggressive towards you is a sign of your oneness with God. God's spirit responds to spirit, not human.

When you make time for prayer, God pours His spirit into you. When the hour comes for you to display your oneness with Him, His spirit will rise and be present just when you need it most. Oneness is not simply a momentary presence during prayer. It is an ongoing, ever present of the God, that once embraced can become one's normal stance in life. Take time to become one with God in prayer. Cultivate the habit of allowing God's ways to prevail in your choices. Oneness is possible just as much for us as it was for Jesus and his apostles.

Calendar Raffle Winners

Fred Thorman, 5/11, \$50.00, #210

Jane Cooley, 5/12, \$25.00, #320

Stephanie Evans-Franklin, 5/13, \$25.00, #408

Anthony Knox, 5/14, \$25.00, #715

Parish Council Nominations We are once again accepting nominations for the parish council. Nominees must be an active member in good standing of the parish and 18 years of or older. Nomination forms can be found in the newsflash and names emailed to Phyllis Carr at phyllis5115@net.

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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