

# St. Rita Reporter

## MISSION STATEMENT of ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

We, the people of St. Rita Catholic Parish, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are dedicated to serving the community in which we live by proclaiming, teaching, and living the Word of the Gospel so that Christ's love, respect, peace, and justice for all will prevail.



NOVEMBER 6 & 7, 2021



**Mark Your Calendars**  
A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols  
Presented by the St. Rita Choir  
Sunday, December 12, 4:00p.m.

Lector workbooks may be picked up in the Sacristy.



There is a mandatory parent and student meeting for Confirmation, Monday, November 8th at 6:30p.m. in the Church



32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# OFFERING

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:43

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**Fuel the Mission**  
**Catholic Services Appeal**

**2021**

**We are almost there!**



November 7, 2021  
Goal: 43,569.00  
Percent of Goal: 99%



**Let's Reached Our Goal!**  
**Who Will Put Us Over!**

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## High School Youth Ministry

**November 7:** 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

We will be meeting in the Church Hall!  
Join us for lock-in planning and designing t-shirts for the year. Bring all your ideas!

## Religious Education



**Tuesday, November 9th**, we will have our first class **beginning at 6pm in the Church Hall.**

If your child is in **9th—12th grade** and in need of

**Confirmation**, please contact the Rectory **ASAP.**  
**Parent/student meeting is November 8th at 6:30p.m. in the church.**



## Is God calling you to be a catechist?

All those interested in becoming a **catechist**, please contact the parish office, 248-634-4841. If you have any questions or need information call the office.

## World Day of Prayer for Vocations

In our politically charged society, I imagine many have heard the quote, "It takes a village..." Whether or not one likes the politics of the author of that quote, in the words are truth. It takes many people to create and sustain a community.

For those of us who are Catholic, we believe in the power of vocations to help spread the Gospel message. And vocations are an important part of the community. The vocations to priesthood, or the diaconate, or religious life are at the center of our efforts to spread the good news. However, we need to also speak about the vocation of married life as service to the church; and furthermore, the vocation of single life. It is at our baptism that we are given the mandate to spread the Gospel through our vocation in the church.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me" (Rv 3:20).

We hear in Scripture that Jesus stands at the door of our heart and knocks. He only invites and never demands or breaks into our lives without our acceptance. He knocks, we open the door, and the invitation and welcome are complete.

Let us pray...

God of the invitation,

you knock upon the door of everyone's heart.

We seek the courage to open that door, for we know the responsibility of saying yes.

We humbly ask you for your wisdom to serve your church with compassion and acceptance.

We believe that when we say yes, you will provide the grace for the work ahead.

Give grace to those men and women who have dedicated their lives to constant service to your church.

Also give grace to those couples and single men and women who work for the church in their secular lives.

We ask all this through Christ our Lord and brother, who live and reign with you and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

"How long has Jesus been knocking at the door of your heart, waiting to enter?"

-St. John Baptist de la Salle

St. Rita Catholic Church  
Registration Form

If you are not already registered and would like to be, please fill out and drop in the collection basket or mail to:  
309 E. Maple  
Holly, MI 48442

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_ How long at this address? \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Head of House hold:  
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Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Children & Birthdates  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Mass Intention Requests**

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office or call 248-634-4841 ext. 0. They will help you with the dates and times which are available. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given, signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

*Pray For...*  
Scott Flake, Nancy Davis, Beth Elliott, Marty Johnson, Kailee Gallagher, Bob & Louise Kendall, Don Elliott,  
Chris Brown, Gregg Golden, Terry Showers, Pete Pierce Jr., Ann Czmer, Cindy Schmidt, Vickie Grabowski, Pete Buccellato, Ron Tucker, Kim Simmons, Don & Rhonda Barron, Larry Slasinski, Loree Ciarkowski, Michael Latrow, Cheryl Molina, Mary Brown, Louie Loestael, Catherine Corcoran, Jesse Hoorelbeke, Melinda Kici O'Brian, Mary Ann Skaja, Patricia Murphy, Mary Garren, Bill Hartwell, Norm Raupp, Pat Houring, Gerrie Hoch, Carolyn Sawicki, Erma Boucher, Rafael Hernandez, Mick Smith, Gail Ward, Dan Rice, Delbert & Debra Herrel, Jerry Deibis, Carl Borgstrom, Mary Crass, Sandy & Earl Sedam, Betty Gajewski, Louise Sargent, Michael Kollenberg, Sue Diebel & Donald Smith. *May they find peace, strength, and comfort in God's care.*

**Adoration with Intercessory Prayer**



**Join us the  
Third Tuesday  
of every month**

- 5:00pm** Adoration begins with silent Prayer
- 5:30pm** Intercessory Prayer
- 6:00pm** Adoration with silent prayer continues
- 7:00pm** Mass

**All are Welcome!**

Please Include the following in the Mass Intentions:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\*Required

Please **add/remove** the following name to/from the prayer list:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

May they find peace, strength, and comfort in God's care.

Requested by & Contact #:

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Pastor: Fr. David Blazek  
 309 E. Maple St.  
 Holly, MI 48442  
 248-634-4841 (Office)  
 248-634-4858 (fax)  
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**Office Staff**

Nicole Hagle

**Business Manager**

Fred Metz

**Rectory Office Hours:**

By phone

**Religious Formation**

The Learning Center  
 211 Washington St. Holly, MI 48442  
 248-634-4841

Email: [stritchollyre@gmail.com](mailto:stritchollyre@gmail.com)

**RCIA**

Contact Rectory 248-634-4841

**Director of Music:**

Kellie Rao 248-634-4841

**Masses:**

Weekdays: Tuesday & Wednesday at 7:00pm

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 4:00 pm  
 Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am and 6:00pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

By Appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Parents must register at the Parish office to attend one class prior to Baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Contact parish office

**Holly Nursing Home Ministry**

Angie LaValle 248-634-3352



**Saturday, November 6**

4:00pm: Fred Tokarz

**Sunday, November 7**

9:00am: Sandra Hogan

11:00am: Mel Tormey

6:00pm: Harvey Kramer

**Monday, November 8**

No Mass

**Tuesday, November 9**

7:00pm : Christopher Ayotte

**Wednesday, November 10**

7:00pm : Arnold & Kenneth Strzewski

**Thursday, November 11**

No Mass

**Friday, November 12**

No Mass

**Saturday, November 13**

4:00pm: Holly Runo

**Sunday, November 14**

9:00am: Christopher L. Ayotte

11:00pm: Fred Tokarz

6:00pm: David Coy

**RCIA classes have begun!!**

Been away for awhile and wondering how to return to the Church?

Searching for a group with the same questions and concerns as yourself? Yearning to become a full member of the Catholic Church?



Looking to become involved in the Catholic Community at St. Rita?

If you answered "YES" to any of the above,  
 Then look no further, jump in and join us.  
 All are Welcome!

For more information, please contact the Rectory at 248-634-4841 or send us an email at:  
[stritchollyfaithform@gmail.com](mailto:stritchollyfaithform@gmail.com)  
 to get started!

**Clothes Closet & Food Pantry**

Even though the physical building is closed, ministry is ongoing. If you are in need of assistance or know someone in need, call the Rectory and leave a message. Voicemails are checked throughout the day and someone will get in touch with you. We are still accepting donations. You may drop them off at the front door of the Rectory. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated during this trying time.

**Food Pantry's Needs**

Toilet paper, paper towel, tooth paste, tooth brushes, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, juice, oatmeal, saltine crackers, oyster crackers, instant potatoes and easy mac.

**NO frozen foods**

**Unopened/unexpired items only**

When writing checks, please make sure that they are made out to:

St. Rita Food Pantry



**Clothes Closet & Food Pantry**

Please be aware, that due to our **limited space**, we are only able to accept donations of food and clothing.

If you have **large household items** you wish to donate **please call the rectory office** to see if we may have someone in need of your item.



*Advent Tea*  
*Save the date:*  
*December 2, 2021*  
*6:00p.m.*

*Mary Wilkerson*  
*will be our guest speaker.*  
*The theme for Advent Tea*  
*is: "The Dark Shattering*  
*Light". "Hope in a seem-*  
*ingly dark world. The*  
*light shines in the dark-*  
*ness and the darkness*  
*has not overcome it."*  
*John 1, Bethlehem reflection*

# THANKSGIVING BASKETS



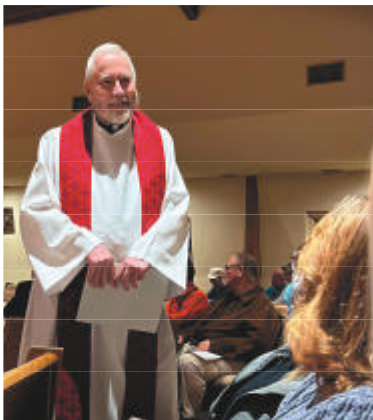
will be done again little differently this year!  
We are asking families to fill a basket at home and drop it off at Church  
ASAP.

This is an easy way for your family to pray  
together and help those less fortunate during these most difficult times this  
Thanksgiving Season.

Just send an email to [stritcholly@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stritcholly@sbcglobal.net) or drop a note in the collection basket to let us know if  
you can help a family have Thanksgiving Dinner this year.  
We will then send an itemized list for a family in need. Please indicate if you have a family size prefer-  
ence.

Can't fill a whole basket? You can still be involved by donating what you can.  
All donations are appreciated.

*Commissioning of the Family of Parishes  
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St. Rita, Holly*



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