ST. RITA CHURCH
1008 Maple Drive • Webster, New York 14580
www.saintritawebster.org

Our Vision . . .
To nurture and grow the spiritual vitality of each and every
Saint Rita parishioner and support them along their life
journey as Disciples of Christ while fostering a vibrant,
engaging, welcoming faith community.

Telephone Number 671-1100

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am
DAILY MASS SCHEDULE: Monday – Friday at 8:15am - Please see Bulletin or call 671-1100 x 25
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30- 4:30pm and Wednesday at 8:45am or by appt.
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Parents who would like their children baptized should call Julie Cohn
at the Parish Office to arrange a meeting.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements for marriage must be made at least 6 months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office to arrange for a meeting.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: The Eucharist and Sacramental Anointing are available to the homebound
and those in need. Please make arrangements by calling Julie Cohn at the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We would love to meet you! Please pick up a New Parishioner Welcome
Folder from the Parish Office to learn more about our parish.

FAX NUMBER: 671-5446
ST. RITA'S E-MAIL: wstritat@dor.org
"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.” Matthew 18

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We welcome visiting teens and parents to our new Webster Area Youth Group (WAY) Kickoff event that begins this weekend at the 5:00pm Saturday mass. This will be followed by a great evening that even includes overnight activities, friends, fellowship, a campfire, and marshmallows!

I wish to thank everyone at St. Rita who gave generously last weekend towards the hurricane relief collection. All funds will be used to support the combined efforts of many Dioceses throughout the country in helping those suffering the most from this historic weather disaster. We have so far collected over $10,000 dollars.

Last Wednesday we celebrated our first St. Rita School mass for the start of the school year. The excitement, joy and enthusiasm of our students was certainly evident!

May God bless you this week!
Fr. Gonyo

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

Any boy or girl in 3rd grade or older who has received their First Communion and made Reconciliation can become an altar server.

Regular attendance at church, an ability to make a commitment, and a family that values worshipping together are all important characteristics of a successful server. Altar serving promotes responsibility, accountability, leadership, and teamwork.

Please join us for an
Altar Server Training Session and Social
on Saturday, September 30
for all servers - current and new.

We’ll start with pizza at 12:30pm in Room 1 followed by a training session in church from 1:00-2:00pm.

*New servers should contact Elizabeth to see if an individual training should be scheduled.

Please be sure to RSVP to Elizabeth at Elizabeth.Kwiatkowski@dor.org or call 671-1100 x 14.

POT LUCK SUPPER & AUCTION

Tuesday, September 19
at 6:00pm in the Parish Center

Our first event of the season is our ever popular Pot Luck Supper and Chinese Auction! All are welcome!

Please bring a small basket (or two) filled with 3-4 related items that can be raffled off in our Chinese Auction. $5 will buy you a strip of tickets and hopefully will win you one of the baskets. All proceeds will go to the Sisters at St. Rita’s Convent to be used for their food cupboard. This tradition began decades ago when the Society was first started.

The St. Rita Society will provide beverages, but we ask that you bring a dish to share using the list below.

A – I Dessert
J – R Salad
S – Z Casserole

If you have any questions or need a ride please call Elaine at 671-4930.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE AND PARENT MEETING

Next Sunday, September 24
at 6:15pm in Church

Registration for Confirmation is open to any youth in 8th Grade or above who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Reconciliation. This is a two year program. All parents and youth who are in either their first or second year of preparation are expected to attend. You may register and pay online at our website www.saintritawebster.org If you have questions please contact Marie Marton at 671-1100 x 17 or Marie.Marton@dor.org
EUCHARIST INTENTIONS
Among the intentions for those who gather for the Eucharist this week will be

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017
8:15AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF ST. RITA PARISH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017
8:15AM ROSE DUNN – Patty & Joe Janiak

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2017
8:15AM TO ST. JUDE FOR FAVOR RECEIVED – Tony & Maria Sutera

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
8:15AM JEFFREY VERRONE – Mr. & Mrs. Robert Patti

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017
No Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017
9:15AM Funeral Mass for Marie DeVogelaere
2:00PM Wedding: Christina Reitano & Mark Piazza
5:00PM CHARLES & MARIE MALTA – Carl & Phyllis Mannillo & Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017
7:30AM MARK VAN ATTA – Mom
9:00AM SHIRLEY ISAAC – Tom & Karen DiSalvo
10:30AM CYNTHIA LAWTON – Husband Matthew & Sons

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This week the Tabernacle Light will burn in loving memory of Mark Van Atta

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COMPANIONS IN GRIEF GROUP
Thursday, September 21
at 7:30pm in Room 1

All who have experienced the loss of a friend or loved one through death are invited to attend. All are welcome!

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FAITH FORMATION CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED!
Our Faith Formation students will be returning in September and are in need of teachers to share their love of their faith by guiding and teaching them about our beautiful Catholic Church. The following classrooms are awaiting teachers:

**Mondays 4:30-5:45pm**
Grade 3 (2 teachers needed)
Grade 6

If you are interested in sharing your faith, or would like more information about Faith Formation, please contact Anita Wagner at 671-2079 or anita.wagner@dor.org

ST. RITA SCHOOL
Spirit of Learning Corner
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

+ St. Rita School is officially in full swing and off to a wonderful start. This was the first full week of school for all students in PreK3 through Grade Five. Monday, Mrs. McEneny affectionately welcomed 27 excited Pre-K 4 students for their first day of school. Tuesday, Mrs. Farmen warmly greeted her ten Pre-K 3 students who started school for their very first time. St. Rita School is truly blessed with these two, kind, and nurturing, friendly, JOY-filled Pre-K teachers.

+ Wednesday morning St. Rita’s students, faculty, staff and parents shared in their first School Mass of the 2017-18 school year. Mrs. Sutley’s Fifth Grade class led this beautiful Opening Liturgy. Fifth Grade parents enjoyed light refreshments with the class following the Mass.

+ School liturgies are usually celebrated the first Wednesday of each month at 9:15am and on Holy Days in the church. Fr. Gonyo celebrates Mass with a child-friendly approach and does an excellent job explaining the different parts of the Mass to help the students appreciate it more. Every student, including those in PreK 4, participates in this celebration and each class takes a turn at preparing and leading our school at Mass. All are welcome to join us for these monthly liturgies.

+ Thursday evening, parents had an opportunity to sit at their child’s desk for the annual Curriculum Night. The Principal, Ms. Wagner, began the evening in church with prayer followed by a presentation of some of the school’s programs, policies and procedures. Parents then had an opportunity to attend their child’s class while their teachers presented the goals and plans for the school year.

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REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION
Classes begin next week!

Kindergarten thru Grade Seven
Students in Grades K-7, who do not attend a Catholic school, are strongly encouraged to be enrolled in our parish Faith Formation Program.

You may enroll and pay for Faith Formation and Sacraments on-line at our parish website:

www.saintritawebster.org

A choice of two sessions are offered weekly:

Session 1: Mondays: 4:30 - 5:45 pm (Grades K-6)
Session 2: Mondays: 6:15 - 7:30 pm (Grades 1-7)
PLAN FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

SUNDAY 9/17
8:30-11:00am Breakfast in the Parish Center Gym

MONDAY 9/18
10:00-11:30am Bible Study – Rm 1
4:30-5:45pm FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
6:15-7:30pm FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

TUESDAY 9/19
9:00-10:00am WEROC Women’s Group – Rm 3
6:00pm Pot Luck Supper – Gym

WEDNESDAY 9/20
8:45am Pray the Rosary – Church
8:45am Reconciliation Available in Church
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
7:00-8:30pm Bible Study – Rm 1

THURSDAY 9/21
7:00-8:30pm Bible Study – Rm 3
7:30pm Companions in Grief Group – Rm 1

FRIDAY 9/22
7:00pm New Kgd/PreK School Family Ice Cream Social

SATURDAY 9/23
8:15-8:45am Pray the Rosary – Church
3:30-4:30pm Reconciliation Available in Church

SUNDAY 9/24
8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym
6:15pm CONFIRMATION MEETING – Church

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PARISH SUPPORT
For Last Weekend ~ September 9 & 10

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(Our fiscal year is 7/1/17 – 6/30/18)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!
We all grow spiritually when we share.

BIBLE READINGS:

17 Sun 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30-28:7
Ps 103:1-4,9-12 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35
18 Mon 1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2,7-9 Lk 7:1-10
19 Tue St. Januarius 1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1-3,5-6
Lk 7:11-17
20 Wed Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Ha-
sang and Companions 1 Tm 3:14-16
Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-35
Mt 9:9-13
22 Fri 1 Tm 5:23-12 Ps 49:6-10,17-40 Lk 8:1-3
23 Sat St. Pius of Pietrelcina 1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:
1-7 Lk 8:4-15
24 Sun 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9 Ps
154:2,3-8,9-17-18 Phil 1:20c-24,27a Mt 20:
1-16a

CARE FOR GOD’S HOUSE:
Week of September 17 Dawn Clark

LINENS: Next week September 24 Sandra Kuebel

JOIN US AT BREAKFAST CLUB
This isn’t a “club” you need to join – All are Welcome each Sunday morning from 8:30-11:00am in the Parish Center for a warm delicious meal served with a smile!

We offer a “Special” each Sunday but we always have our traditional menu offering eggs (any way), bacon, sausage, pancakes, etc. So sit back and let our Breakfast Club volunteers serve you on Sunday mornings September through May!

Next week’s special: EGGS BENEDICT served with a bottomless cup of coffee. Our ministry runs on donations only which are greatly appreciated!

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ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
NEXT Weekend ~ September 23 & 24

Saturday, 5:00pm:
Brandon & Matthew Connor, Daniella Fico, David Kraft

Sunday, 7:30am:
Patrick Childs, Lindsey Coumou, Justin Coumou

Sunday, 9:00am:
Luke Tytler, TJ Tytler, Grace Chichester, Kateri White

Sunday, 10:30am:
Olivia Momot, Julie, Emma and Anna Spagnola

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Wedding Banns
II
Christina Reitano & Mark Piazza

THINK STEPHEN MINISTRY

If you become aware of a friend or neighbor who is struggling or going through a difficult time, think of Stephen Ministry. Tell them that our parish has a special Christ Centered Ministry where they can receive the support and care needed to make it through the challenge or crisis they are facing. Anything discussed is always done in total confidentiality. Give them our Confidential Phone number 585-586-0674 x 130 or, with their permission, ask if they would like you to call. We are happy to answer any questions they or you may have.
Parents of children who are enrolled in this program need to attend this parent meeting. Children who are enrolled in our First Eucharist Program will also be preparing for their First Reconciliation, as well as children in Grade 3 and higher who have made their First Eucharist but not their First Reconciliation. You may register online at www.saintritawebster.org. If you have any questions, please contact Anita Wagner at 671-2079 or anita.wagner@dor.org.

**PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS**

**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS**

Our Parish Health Ministry Committee will be offering free Blood Pressure Screenings after all Masses next weekend in Room 1.

**ANNUAL MEN’S RETREAT**

Friday, September 29 – Sunday October 1

At the Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking Canandaigua Lake

The theme for these retreats is “God is talking . . . Are you listening?”

Is it difficult to carve out time to pray each day? Is life too busy? Come away for a weekend with the Lord where we will give you time to explore the meaning of prayer; different styles of prayer and ways to overcome obstacles and enrich prayer time. Our retreat this year will challenge us to move from “saying” prayers to “living” a prayerful life. Pray . . Listen . . Join us!!

For reservations or more information please call Jim Lajoie at 236-5716 or Nancy at the Notre Dame 585-394-5700 www.notredameretreat.org

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE**

This is an international peer support ministry for widowed, separated, and divorced adults. The weekend program helps participants deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity, through God, for dealing with the pain of loss and moving into the future with renewed hope. Our next weekend program will be held at the Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking Canandaigua Lake, October 13th-15th, 2017. For more information, please contact us at (585) 987-1750 or visit our website www.beginningexperiencerochesterny.org.

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**ST. RITA SCHOOL**

**31st Annual School Marathon**

Saturday, September 30

8:00am – Noon

at North Ponds Park

St. Rita School is hosting their 31st Annual Marathon. The Marathon is a spirit-filled event, serving as both a back-to-school “FUNraiser” for St. Rita students, as well as an important FUND-raiser for the school. This is the students’ main fundraiser of the year. Students gather pledges in advance from family, friends, and neighbors, and then walk around North Ponds (up to 6 times - that’s six miles!), followed by an early morning picnic at the park. The students are expected to walk close to 700 miles this year!

Funds raised from the Marathon help to enhance the curriculum, pay for field trips and social events, and purchase technology equipment. Each year, the school tithes a portion of the proceeds to a worthwhile charity.

Would you like to support a student or sponsor our School Principal? Donate a prize for a top fundraiser? Please call the school office (671-3132) if you can help.

**Rochester Catholic Men’s Conference**

Saturday October 14

7:30 am - 4:00 pm

at St. Jude the Apostle Parish in Rochester

Theme: “Create in me a clean heart”- Psalm 51

The Day includes breakfast, lunch, and snack

**Register now for the Early-bird discount of $40 if you register before Wednesday, August 2**

After August 2 cost is $55 - Students are $15

Contact St. Rita parishioner John Matina with any questions: jmatina@rochester.rr.com or 585-314-6096

**LADIES ~ You are invited to come to WEROC “Women Enjoying Rediscovering Our Catholicism” this Fall as we share, grow, and learn through connection and prayer to deepen our faith!**

**WHEN:** Tuesdays when school is in session

**TIME:** 9:00am - 10:00am

**WHERE:** St. Rita’s Church Meeting Room

**FALL BOOK STUDY:** “The Travel Guide to Life: Transforming Yourself from Head to Soul” by Anthony DeStefano

For more information or to reserve your spot please contact: Terezeja Lemieux at terezeja@gmail.com or call 703-606-6794 or Darlene Piersall at jpiersal@rochester.rr.com or call 585-787-0983.
St. Rita Parish invites you to an ALL NEW Bible Study Program Starting This Week
It’s not too late to register!

“The Epistle of St. James: PEARLS OF WISDOM”
Choose which session you would like to attend:
Monday morning, Wednesday evening or Thursday evening
You can “Mix and Match” any of the sessions in the same week

This fall, we will be offering a study of the Epistle of St. James, a series by noted author and speaker Jeff Cavins. He shares:

“James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances."

Three separate Sessions begin September 18, 20 & 21 and run for 11 weeks.

The dates and times are as follows:

- **Group 1** will meet Monday mornings in Room 1, 10 – 11:30 am;
  - Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 27, Dec. 4

- **Group 2** will meet Wednesday evenings in Room 1, 7 – 8:30 pm;
  - Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1 (after mass), 8, 15, 29, Dec. 6

- **Group 3** will meet Thursday evenings in Room 1, 7 – 8:30 pm;
  - Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec. 7

How to Register

To register for this exciting program, please E-Mail the parish office at wstritap@dor.org or call 671-1100 and let us know which session you would like to attend. The cost of materials (workbook / study guide) is $15. If you have specific questions please call Jerry Lupien at 794-3666 or email glupien@howardhanna.com.
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