Masses

Saturday Evening: 5:15 pm

Sunday:

8:00 am, 9:30 am (Family Liturgy), 11:00 am (Choir), 12:30 pm, 5:15 pm (Youth)

Weekday Mornings:

Monday - Friday 7:30 am & 9:00 am Saturday - 8:00 am

Weekday Evenings:

Monday & Wednesday 7:30pm

Holy Days:

7:30pm vigil (on the eve) 8:00, 10:00 am, noon and 7:30pm (on the day)

Civil Holidays: One Mass - 9:00 am

Pastoral Team

PASTOR:

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DEACONS

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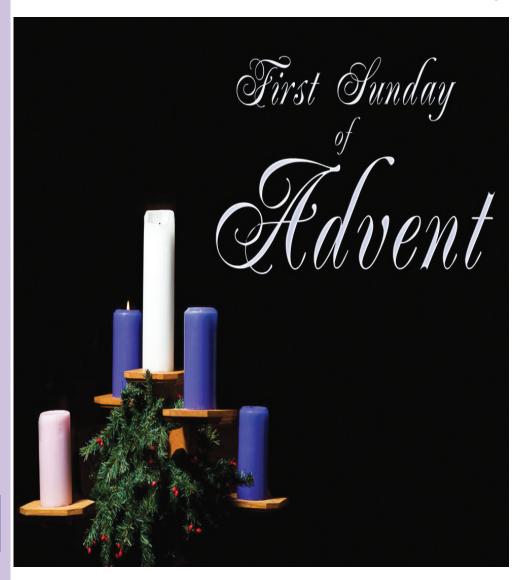
B U L L E T I N



Sunday, December 3, 2017

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Welcome to our Faithful Parishioners and All Those who may be 'Just Visiting'

Jesus washed the feet of his apostles at the Last Supper as a sign of loving service, instructing them "as I have done this to you so must you do for one another." We as a family of faith strive to live this commandment of love in doing all that we can to welcome you as we invite you to be an active member of this community.

Welcome new parishioners! If you are new to our parish, I invite you to introduce yourself to me or any of the other priests after Sunday Mass, or when you come into the rectory to register. Even though we are a large parish, we make every effort to come to know you and your family personally so that we may be better able to serve you. So please be sure to say hello!

-Fr. Ken

WEBSITE and FACEBOOK

www.srolchurch.org
Facebook.com/strosemassapequa
www.stroseschool.net

PHONE NUMBERS

798-4992/4989

Rectory Office 78-4332/4383
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
9:00 am - 8:00 pm; Wednesday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm;
Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm; Saturday, 9:00 am -
1:00 pm; Sunday, 9:00 am -1:30 pm
Rectory Fax 795-7836
Parish Outreach Office798-4954
School Office 541-1546
(4704 Merrick Road, Massapequa)
Office of Faith Formation541-1712
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
(located next to Outreach, in Convent)
Youth Ministry 798-4992
Rirthright 785-4070

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Celebrated every Sunday at 2:00 pm in the Church. Parents should arrange an initial interview with a deacon or priest three months prior to the birth of their child. A Baptism preparation class is also required.

RECONCILIATION: Come and experience God's mercy. Saturdays 4:00-5:00 pm; Monday-Friday after the 9:00 am Mass or by appointment.

<u>MARRIAGE</u>: Congratulations on your engagement! If you would like to be married here at St. Rose of Lima, please call the rectory to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest or deacon. No date for a wedding will be set by phone. Couples must make arrangements in person at least six months in advance. Arrangements can be made only after all consultations are complete. It is recommended that you set your date with the church before you contract with a caterer.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mon., 12/4 St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

- 7:30 Alice M. DeBonis
- 9:00 Gary Garofalo
- 7:30 Colleen Cary

Tue., 12/5 Advent Weekday

- 7:30 Dennis P. Caufield
- 9:00 For the intention of Nancy & John Langan

Wed., 12/6 St. Nicholas, Bishop

- 7:30 For the intention of Nicolas Steven Parada
- 9:00 Kathleen Mattia
- 7:30 Lena Piccininni

Thu., 12/7 St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 7:30 Maureen Flood
- 9:00 Frank Renda
- 7:30 For the intention of Antoinette Donna Salvia

Fri., 12/8 The Immaculate Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:00 Mass for the People
- 10:00 Edward Flaherty
- 12:00 Frank Giambanco
- 7:30 Anna Poplarski

Sat., 12/9 St. Juan Diego, Cuauhtlatoatzin

8:00 Angela & Sherman Glass, For the intentions of Donna Walsh-Keŭckick, Susan Fitzpatrick, Griffin Fitzpatrick, Paul Russo

Sat., 12/9 Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent

- 4:00 James Smith
- 5:15 Dr. Alfred Marks

Sun., 12/10 Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 Justin Fusco
- 9:30 Mass for the People
- 11:00 Cosmo Martucciello, John Shea,
 Harold McCarty, Jean F. Coppola,
 John Grillo, Anthony DiPadova,
 Thomas Gecaj, Maris Job, Mary Daniels,
 Charlotte DaRold
- 12:30 Walter Wozny
- 5:15 For all those involved in CYO



Fr. Ken's Corner

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Saint Rose of Lima Parish,

As we all look forward to the joys of the Christmas Season, today in presenting our annual financial report, we also need to take a look back. Two of the duties of pastors as entrusted to them by the bishop of the diocese is to be responsible for the spiritual growth and the temporal stability of the parish to which he has charge. Today I, as pastor, with the aid of our parish Business Manager, Nancy Bartlett, and Finance Committee, present our annual financial report. I'd like to thank them and Dawn Costabile, Linda McMahon, Michele Zuccaro, and Laurie May in the St. Rose Business Office for compiling the facts and figures and presenting them in easily-understood graphics (please see the graphs). These charts say more than I can in words, and I invite each of you to study this presentation with care as the responsible stewards and supporters of St. Rose of Lima Parish.

While our financial condition is still stable due to your faithful and generous support, you can see that there have been a number of trends over the past half dozen years that have led the Parish Team and Finance Committee to take a more focused look in planning for tomorrow, both in terms of examining our annual collections and in noting annual average attendance. We, like many parishes around the country, both Catholic and non-Catholic, have experienced a downturn in weekly attendance; something you may have noticed, especially if you've been a long-time parishioner. It would not be surprising then that there would also be a decline in the annual collections which support the everyday functioning of our parish. In presenting these numbers over the past three fiscal years, I hope to make you aware of our present financial condition and in doing so, to emphasize our need to have a strong plan to continue to allow all our parish ministries to serve you in future days as they have in the past.

As we have identified this shift in the religious practices of the families in our parish, it is also necessary for the priests, deacons and parish staff to make the needed adjustments in responding to these shifts in order to serve all of our parishioners; both those who gather for worship on a regular basis and to those who may not be as consistent in their presence for Sunday Mass and support of the parish. Next week I will also be presenting what I would like to call a pastoral report. It goes beyond some of the numbers given to you today in taking the first steps of identifying the future needs of the parish and proposing general goals to keep us strong and vibrant.

We are very blessed to have a Parish Team and Staff who have been working very closely with our Finance Committee and Buildings and Grounds Committee to insure both beauty in worship and your safety. Due to your faithful support, we have been able to initiate and successfully complete a large number of capital projects over the past five years (cp. pie chart), as we will begin the sanctuary enhancement in January. We've successfully completed these projects with only one special appeal, that for the replacement of our church roof. This is a testament to both your generosity and the great ability of our staff as stewards and guardians of your generosity. As you know from your own home maintenance needs, one is never quite finished, and as we've addressed past needs on a timely basis, we're currently looking at other needed repairs both in the church/rectory and school.

In offering our financial report, it is to bring attention to the reality that with the present religious trends in society, what our parish could once automatically count on in the past may not sustain us in the future. A large parish like ours has a multitude of wonderful resources, but many expenses as well. I thank you so very much for the support you have offered – financial, spiritual, communal - on all levels - in the past, and I ask for your continued prayers in striving to be the best we can be today while looking forward to serving the next generation of parishioners tomorrow and the generation after theirs.



REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

The Tabernacle Arrangements displayed this week were donated in loving memory of Maureen Flood, with love from Fr. Ken and your St. Rose of Lima Family.

The Blessed Mother's Altar Arrangements displayed this week were donated in loving memory of Robert Stevenson, with love from Nancy, Diana, Erica, Tom, T.J., Aubrey and Tommy.

The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekday masses was donated in loving memory of Donald Coleman on his 12th Anniversary in Heaven, with love from his wife and family.



Welcome to the Newly-Baptized



Declan Ainsworth Wynne Harper Devine

Volunteers are needed for this ministry. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the Rectory at 798-4992 ext. 280.



Wedding Banns

2nd Time Richard Zebler, St. Martin, Bethpage, NY & **Courtney Horan**, St. Rose of Lima

Please Pray for the Souls of the Recently Deceased

Ellen Robinson Maris Job Donald Boland Joanna Marino Lillian Bertellotti



In Your Prayers, Remember the Sick...

Deacon Frank Bono & Alice Bono,
Tony Cali, Jacqlyn Ferdenzi,
Thomas Galante, Janneth Lattuca,
Geralyn Morgan,
Philip Paladino, Tony Parisi,
James Read, Janet Rossano-Brix,
Larry Ryan, Tommy Smith, Peggy Steinborn,
Quinn Tranchina,
Donna Walsh-Keŭckick

Upcoming Events at St. Rose

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Benediction - Monday, December 4 from 11:30 am—1:00 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Chapel

Anointing Mass - Tuesday, December 5 at 9:00 am

Centering Prayer - Thursday, December 7 at 7:30 pm in the Rectory Board Room

Charismatic Prayer - Wednesdays at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center

Men's Group - Wednesday, December 6 at 8:10 pm in the Rectory Board Room

Rectory Closed - Friday, December 8 in honor of Immaculate Conception—masses at 8:00 and 10:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:30 pm with a vigil mass on Thursday evening at 7:30 pm

Rosary Society Christmas Party - Monday, December 4 in the Rectory Meeting Room after 7:30 pm Mass. Sing-A-Long and home-made goodies available. Still collecting 'Gifts of Warmth' for veterans and OTC meds for Haiti.

Second Collection - There will be a CYO collection next weekend.

Special Needs Mass - Saturday, December 9 at 4:00 pm

Supermarket Cards - sold this weekend after all masses

Christmas Flowers



Please help us cover the cost of our beautiful Christmas flowers by using the Christmas Flower Offering envelope found in your envelope packet; they are also available on the altar rail. Thank you.



Rosary/Altar Society Christmas Party

You are invited to a fun-filled get-together to celebrate the 'Lord of Life', the 'Reason for the Season' on Monday, December 4 in the Rectory Meeting Room. The more the merrier!

Following holy rosary at 7:00 pm and holy Mass and Novena at 7:30 pm, join them in the Rectory Meeting Room for an evening with good friends, good food and a holiday sing-a-long.

The Rosary Society takes this opportunity to thank our parish family for all your support throughout the year. We wish you a very blessed, holy and merciful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Last Thursday's Thanksgiving Collection was donated to the Midnight Run!
Through your generosity,
\$1,212 was collected.

Lector Workbooks

New Lector workbooks are available in the sacristy for pickup. Please make sure to sign your name when picking up a workbook.

Grateful....Thankful....Blessed

November 26, 2017 \$20,387.16 Weekly Offerings \$ 2,355.00 Online Giving \$22,742.16 *

November 27, 2016 \$23,349.00 Weekly Offerings \$ 2,826.00 Online Giving \$26,175.00

*Budget—\$27,000

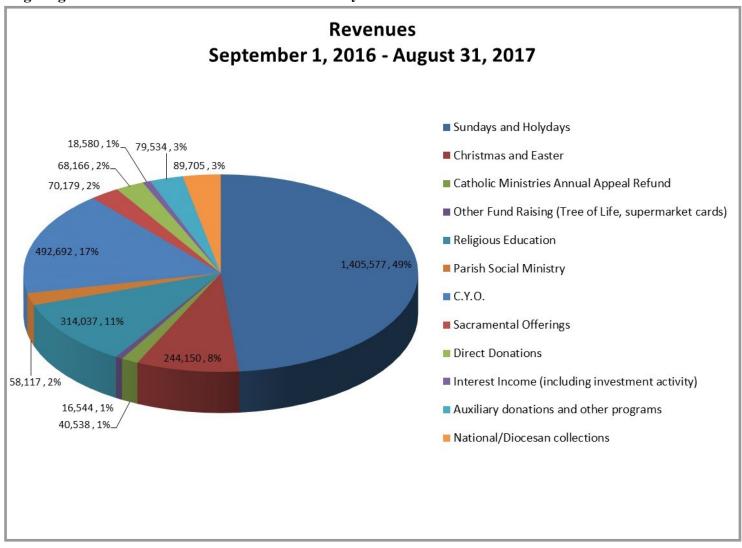


St. Rose of Lima Church Statement of Parish Financial Activities For the fiscal years ending August 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

REVENUES:	2017	2016	2015		
Sundays and Holydays	1,405,577	1,450,063	1,458,501		
Christmas and Easter	244,150	242,290	246,636		
Total Regular Collections	1,649,727	1,692,353	1,705,137		
Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Refund	40,538	36,439	35,021		
Other Fund Raising (Tree of Life, supermarket cards)	16,544	17,430	18,120		
Total Fund Raising	57,082	53,869	53,141		
Religious Education	314,037	299,107	301,558		
Parish Social Ministry	58,117	71,635	92,667		
C.Y.O.	492,692	505,038	503,883		
Other	8,247	6,561	7,354		
Total Parish Programs	873,093	882,340	905,462		
Sacramental Offerings	70,179	49,030	85,140		
Direct Donations	68,166	42,694	38,927		
Interest Income (including investment activity)	18,580	36,295	12,148		
Other- (includes donations for flowers, votive shrines,					
poor boxes, commissions and rental income)	71,287	86,159	90,832		
Total Auxiliary Revenue	228,212	214,178	227,046		
National/Diocesan Collections	89,705	66,314	75,653		
Extraordinary Revenue: Roof donations		1,250	224,050		
Total Revenues	2,897,819	2,910,304	3,190,488		
EXPENDITURES:					
Religious Education	261,355	244,532	247,463		
Parish Social Ministry	174,692	178,093	168,858		
C.Y.O.	477,909	466,431	476,318		
Youth/Family Ministry	21,038	23,710	52,976		
Other Parish Programs	33,339	3,952	3,605		
Total Parish Programs	968,333	916,718	949,220		

(Parish programs include direct program costs and salaries and benefits for each ministry)

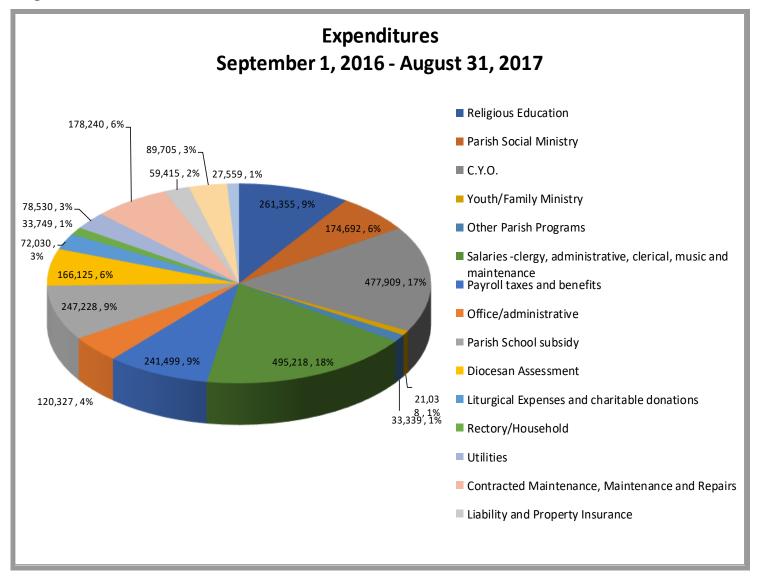
EXPENDITURES (cont'd):	2017	2016	2015		
SalariesClergy/Administrative et al	495,218	514,284	483,792		
(represents full & part-time salaries for all clergy,					
administrative, clerical, music & maintenance staff)					
Payroll taxes and benefits	241,499	203,760			
Total Salaries, Taxes and Benefits	736,717	687,552			
Office/Administrative	120,327	119,223	109,702		
(includes expenses for printing, postage, telephone,	•	,	,		
computer, professional fees and other miscellaneous)					
Parish School Subsidy	247,228	255,611	261,092		
Diocesan Assessment	166,125	168,677	167,171		
Liturgical Expenses	69,175	76,170	62,860		
Charitable Donations	2,855	2,115	2,620		
Total Auxiliary	238,155	246,962	232,651		
Rectory/Household	33,749	37,660	35,847		
Utilities	78,530	77,498	86,516		
Contracted Maintenance, Maintenance and Repairs	-,	,	,-		
and supplies	176,574	147,119	189,668		
Liability and Property Insurance	59,415	55,014	50,939		
Other	1,666	1,356	1,809		
Total Buildings & Grounds	349,934	318,647	364,779		
National/Diocesan Collections	89,705	66,314	75,653		
Capital Projects/Renovations	27,559	52,817	376,974		
Total Expenditures	2,777,958	2,733,802	3,057,623		
Net revenues over (under) expenditures Transfer to Social Minstry Reserve-Sandy	119,861	176,502	132,866		
Transfer from (to) (Capital Impr. Reserve)	(80,000)	(100,000))		
Transfer to (CYO Reserves)	(17,000)	(39,000)			
Net increase (decrease) in fund balance	\$ 22,861	\$ 37,502	\$ 132,866		



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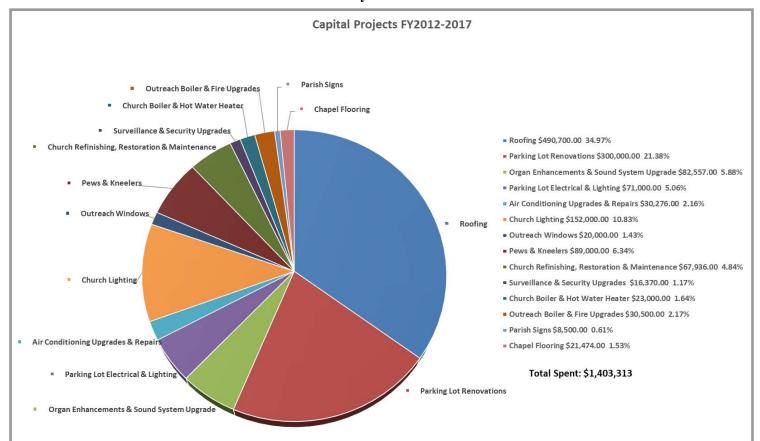
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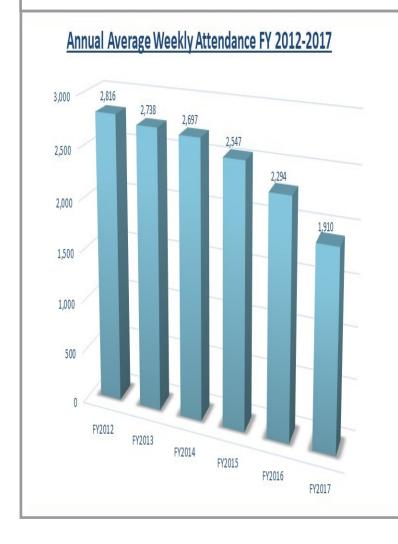
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Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Refund	40,538
Other Fund Raising (Tree of Life, supermarket cards)	16,544
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Parish Social Ministry	58,117
C.Y.O.	492,692
Sacramental Offerings	70,179
Direct Donations	68,166
Interest Income (including investment activity)	18,580
Auxiliary donations and other programs	79,534
National/Diocesan collections	89,705
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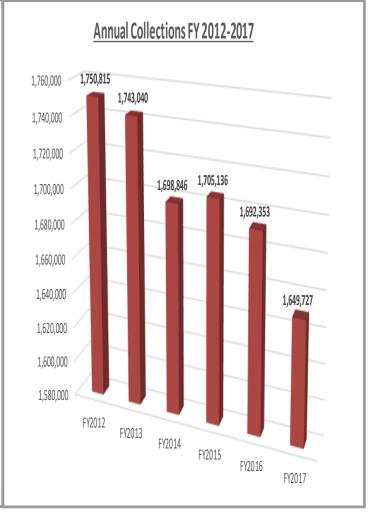


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Payroll taxes and benefits	241,499
Office/administrative	120,327
Parish School subsidy	247,228
Diocesan Assessment	166,125
Liturgical Expenses and charitable donations	72,030
Rectory/Household	33,749
Utilities	78,530
Contracted Maintenance, Maintenance and Repairs	178,240
Liability and Property Insurance	59,415
National/Diocesan Collections	89,705
Capital Projects/Renovations	27,559
Total Expenditures	<u>\$2,777,958</u>







St. Rose by the Numbers

Baptisms 226







Confirmations

Marriages 63





Activities, Meetings, **Gatherings** 2,261

Enrollment of St. Rose of Lima Parish School 356



Enrollment of St. Rose of Lima Faith Formation 1,467 Families

2,444 Children



Volunteer Catechists 379



Communion Calls 3.000



Anointings of the Sick 500

Funerals 180



Reconciliation & **Eucharist** 346



Masses (including weekdays and Holy Days) 994



New Families Welcomed

221



2017 St. Rose of Lima Advent Angels Gift Collection



The Family Liturgy Committee will again be coordinating our **Advent Angel Gift Collection** here at St. Rose. The idea behind Advent Angels is to give the families of our parish an **opportunity to help people** who are less fortunate than themselves by giving with our hearts, with love and generosity.

The collection will benefit the Outreach and Parish Social Ministry efforts here in the Massapequas at St. Rose of Lima and also support the Church of the Resurrection in Farmingville.

We will distribute two types of Gift Tags to help our parishioners select a wonderful present that will brighten up someone's Christmas:

- Our <u>traditional Angel Gift Tags</u> will indicate who the gift would be for, i.e., "boy age 11-13", "Senior/woman" or "Single Mother" so we ensure a good mix of present types.
- <u>Special Family Wish Tags</u> will indicate a requested gift from one of the 16 families we are sponsoring for the Church of the Resurrection.



We will distribute angel gift tags from our "Giving Gifts" displays at the Church on December 3. These tags will be located by the altar rail near the statue of Mary and by the Tree of Life near the parking lot entrance closest to Merrick Road. We will also have some general tags available in the rectory office for your convenience.



The gift (toys or clothing) should be unwrapped with the angel tag attached and returned to the Rectory or at 9:30 am Family Mass on December 3, or December 10 (December 10 is the last day for the collection – Family Wish Gifts will be delivered immediately following the 9:30 am Family Mass on December 10). Angel Tag Gifts received AFTER our delivery will graciously be accepted at Outreach (please drop them off at the Outreach Office between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday thru Thursday).





Your Advent Angels gift need not be expensive, but please, new items only! Whether you can participate in this program or not, let's make a special effort this Advent and Christmas to keep all those less fortunate than ourselves in our prayers.



Thank you! If you have any questions, please call Matt or Kelly-Ann at 798-6026, or see anyone on the Family Liturgy Committee.



The Ministry of Ushers and Greeters Annual meeting - Tuesday, December 5 at 7:30 pm, Rectory Meeting Room

Join us for this informative meeting as Deacon McGuinness will be on hand to give a short presentation on security awareness in the church, what to do, and what to look out for.

All Ushers and Greeters, along with SROL Men of Solidarity, are invited and encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served!

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for a few men or women who would be interested in joining the Ministry of Usher and Greeter. This Ministry is critical to the life of a parish. If you have been thinking about, or have considered the thought of joining our Ministry, now is a great time. All you have to do is talk to any of the Ushers at any Mass, and they will tell you how gratifying the job really is. This Ministry is a great way to give back to God and Community without involving a large time commitment.

If you are interested in attending the meeting on December 5 or learning more about the Ministry of Usher/Greeter, please contact Jim Shea at 541-1338 or 631-774-8061, or call the Rectory at 516-798-4992.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception and 27th Annual National Night of Prayer for Life

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation on Friday, December 8, masses will be celebrated beginning Thursday evening at 7:30 pm and then on Friday at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, Noon and 7:30 pm. The rectory will be closed and will reopen on Saturday, December 9.

After the 7:30 pm Mass on Friday, our parish family is invited to come together and unite in prayer with other parishes across our country as we offer profound honor and glory to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and His Blessed Mother, seeking an end to the merciless killing of the unborn and for sins committed against ALL life at the National Night of Prayer for Life.

Your presence and prayers are needed. Come and offer the most holy Rosary with special intentions at this Pro-Life Eucharistic Vigil.

St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach

Midnight Run Date is Friday, December 8! Prep Night will be Thursday, December 7 at Outreach 7 - 9 PM

What is Midnight Run?

Midnight Run is a volunteer organization dedicated to finding common ground between the housed and the homeless.

In August 2016, St. Rose did our first Midnight Run. The night before the run, we had 30 volunteers of all ages at Outreach. They sorted, organized and boxed clothing and toiletries, along with a team doing food preparation. The night of the run, we had five vehicles and 20 people who went to NYC. We delivered food and clothes to the homeless at three pre-designated stops around Manhattan. There was a wonderful exchange with the homeless, and each of them were deeply thankful. At the final stop, we spent nearly an hour talking to and ministering to those in need. That evening the weather was beautiful, and we did not feel the discomfort of living on the street. This Midnight Run will give us a deeper understanding of the hardship of living outside in inclement weather. For those who are unable to join us on either night, we ask for your prayers.

- Thank you so much for all the donations to date!!!
- Donations still needed as <u>100</u> items of each type are required for the run:
 - Men's Clothing (All New, except shoes and coats which maybe lightly worn)
 - Warm coats: Large and extra large sizes, as even small men & women like to layer. Dark colors preferred. Need 80 70 60 59 43
 - Jeans or durable pants: Sizes 32 to 42, but larger sizes preferred. Lengths 30/32/34. Need
 80 66 52 32
 - Underpants: Jockey style, sizes 32 to 42. Need 60 40 33 0 Thank You!
 - Sweaters, sweatshirts and long-sleeve shirts: Large and Extra Large. Dark colors preferred. Hooded zip-up sweatshirts are especially useful. Need 75-30-13 0 Thank You!
 - Shoes: Sizes 9 through 12 and up, Lightly-worn sneakers or athletic shoes (no spikes), soft-soled shoes and work boots are preferred. Need 80 78 74 70 69 54
 - Belts: Larger sizes preferred. Need 50 42 40 19
 - Hats: Knit and warm. Need 90 62
 - Gloves: Ski gloves or knit gloves. Dark colors. Need 95 85 69 64
 - Travel Toiletries: Soap, toothpaste, shampoo, shaving cream, deodorant, razors. Need 50 10 0
 Thank You!
 - Other items: Toothbrushes, wash cloths, lip balm, feminine hygiene items, gallon zip lock bags.
- Note: We also serve approximately 10 women, so donations of women's clothing also appreciated.
- Please label items for "Midnight Run".

Please drop off items at Outreach Monday to Thursday 9 - 4 or in the Pantry bins located at the Church.

For more information about the Midnight Run organization, check out their website.



ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15—7:30 pm

All Four Parish Choirs with String Orchestra, Organ & Brass Delightful hymns, anthems and readings to help us joyfully prepare our hearts and minds for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Wine & Cheese Reception to follow.



Would you consider a donation to help cover the cost of our Trumpeter for each of the Christmas Masses in memory or honor of a loved one?

Each donor will have his or her name (along with the name/names for whom each gift is in memory or honor of) printed on a special page in the bulletin for December 24 and 25. Thank you to all those who have supported our Music Ministry in years past and those contributing today. May the music of Christmas bring Peace, Joy & Hope to all!

To make a donation, please call or email Director of Music, John Buckel at (516)798-4992 x240 or johnb@srolchurch.org

All donations must be received by Monday, December 11.

Trumpet \$100





CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2017

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Advent Lessons & Carols Service

Friday, December 15 7:30 pm in Church

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Monday, December 18
Communal Penance Service with individual confession
at 4:00 (child-oriented) and 8:00 pm (general celebration for all; following 7:30 pm Mass)

Other opportunities for Reconciliation (Confession)

Weekdays after the 9:00 am Mass or by appointment, Saturdays from 4:00 – 5:00 pm; Saturday, December 23 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Special Schedule for Masses on Sunday, December 24

4th Sunday of Advent Saturday Vigil, December 23 at 5:15 pm; Sunday, 8:00 &11:00 am

Masses for Christmas

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24
Two Masses at 4:00 pm:
Church – (Family Liturgy Mass) & Auditorium

Mass at 6:00 pm - Church

Christmas Concert in Church at 8:30 pm Parish Choir Mass at 9:00 pm

Prelude Music in Church at 11:30 pm

Mass at Midnight

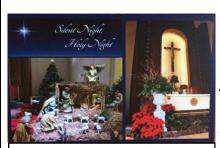
Christmas Day, Monday, December 25
Masses at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm in Church
There is no evening Mass on December 25.

Masses for New Year's Weekend

Saturday, December 30 Morning Mass at 8:00 am and 5:15 pm Vigil Mass Sunday, December 31

Regular Sunday schedule – Feast of the Holy Family Masses at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am, 12:30 & 5:15 pm

Monday, January 1, 2018
Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
Masses at 9:00 am & noon



Wishing you and your family God's grace and blessings this Christmas Season, and throughout the New Year

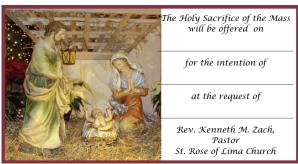
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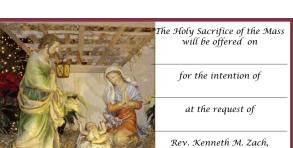
St. Rose of Lima Christmas cards are available for purchase this year. They will be sold in packs of 10 cards (with envelopes) for \$10.00 per pack. Multiple packs will be sold at a discount: 2 packs for \$15.00; 3 packs or more will be sold for \$7.00 per pack. Please call the rectory to order, or come in to pick up a pack or two!

Limited supply available!

What A Wonderful Gift Idea!

For anyone who would like to have Mass offered for someone as a Christmas gift, we will have special Christmas Mass Cards available at the Rectory along with the usual Mass cards.



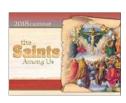




THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT SAINTS AND PROPHETS OF THE SEASON

Isaiah lived seven centuries before the birth of Christ. He is a prophet we hear from throughout the Advent Season through his writings in the Old Testament. The picture on many Christmas cards of a lion with a lamb originates with Isaiah's writing in Chapter 11:1-10.

St. Francis Xavier's feast day is December 3; the great evangelizer of Asia, St. Francis Xavier is considered to be one of the greatest missionaries since St. Paul. He is known as the "Apostle of the Indies," and the "Apostle of Japan." Read Matthew 28:16-20 and reflect on Jesus' instruction to the disciples to "make disciples of all nations."



The 2018 wall calendars will be available in church on December 17, compliments of James Funeral Home. Be sure to pick one up!



During this season of Advent, please be sure to take home one of the prayer booklets to help you on your spiritual journey this Advent, located on the altar rail.



Christmas Day Multiple Intention Mass

The 12:30 pm Mass on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, will be a Collective or Multiple Intention Mass, and a Mass intention envelope has been specially designed for this purpose. Please be sure to look for this extra envelope included in your monthly envelope packet.

If you are interested in having someone remembered at the 12:30 pm Christmas Day Collective Intention Mass, please indicate his or her name on the back of the envelope and return it with your donation to the Rectory no later than Saturday, December 16. Please note that the names of the people for whom the Mass will be offered will not be mentioned individually that day nor in the bulletin; the envelopes will be placed in a basket on the altar, and the priest offering the Mass will remember them as a group.

Memorials

St. Rose of Lima Church is very blessed to have so many generous parishioners!

We have added a second shepherd to our church Nativity Set which has been graciously donated "in loving memory of Walter Gardini and the deceased members of the Bonomo and Gardini Families, always in our hearts, with love from your Family."



We Need Your Help...



As we all prepare for shorter days and colder weather, we wanted to share with you a project that will provide light and opportunity to our Parish.

We have recently embarked on a project to replace our sign with an electronic sign to be placed on Merrick Road outside of our auditorium. We are very excited with the prospect of alerting our parishioners and others to the wonderful activities and events at St. Rose. With the help of a generous donation from our CYO program, we have taken our first major step toward accomplishing this goal.

Our next phase is to seek approval from the Town of Oyster Bay for this project. For this phase, we are seeking your help. The Parish is looking to retain the services of an architect and/or expediter to draft and submit plans to the Town for our sign. Once the plans are approved, we will be well on our way to completion.

If you or someone you know is qualified to assist us with this Parish project, please contact Nancy Bartlett in the Rectory at 516-798-4992, ext. 248.

St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach

Happy CAdvent!

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel! CHRISTMAS IS COMING!



Here at Outreach, we're ALREADY preparing for Christmas! We want to put a smile on the faces of all our guests this year.

If you are not able to participate in the Family Liturgy
Advent Angel Collection which benefits our Outreach families,
you have another opportunity to contribute.

Greatly needed are gifts for teenagers - \$50 Visa/Master Card or Department Store Gift Cards.

We're also looking for donations of unwrapped new hats, gloves, scarves and fleece blankets.

We will be accepting toys at the Father Graham Center Monday thru Thursday from 9 am to 4 pm through Monday, December 11.

Please note: Outreach will be closed on December 8 for the Immaculate Conception.



Open House Information

Call to reserve a spot at our Private Open House

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 9:30 am or 12:45 pm

During this visit, special emphasis will be given to Nursery, Pre-K, Kindergarten and Grade 1, although you will have the chance to see all the classes during a personal tour of the school.

Founded in 1959, St. Rose of Lima School is a thriving parish Catholic elementary school in the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Following New York State Common Core Standards, the school educates students through eighth grade, with full-day Kindergarten as well as a part-time Preschool Program for Nursery and Pre-Kindergarten children. Thanks to the spiritual and financial school and parish support, our tuition rate continues to be among the lowest in the diocese.

- **LEADERSHIP** Our Principal, Sister Kathleen, a member of the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, is an award-winning, state-certified administrator with more than 38 years of experience.
- **ACADEMICS** Nearly the entire faculty is state-certified and hold Masters' Degrees. Each grade level consists of two classes with small class sizes and low student-to-teacher ratios.
- PRESCHOOL Our Nursery program for three-year-olds concentrates on readiness and social skills while our academic-oriented Pre-K program concentrates on Kindergarten readiness, aligned with NYS standards.
- **FAITH** Strong Catholic education, morals, and values are instilled via daily Religious instruction, participation in Mass and other Sacraments as well as through service projects.
- WELL-ROUNDED CURRICULUM In addition to core subjects, our students receive weekly instruction in Music, Art, Gym, Library, Learning Center, Computer and Spanish.
- **TECHNOLOGY** We use state-of-the-art teaching tools, including interactive Smart Boards, LCD projectors, video equipment and a green screen, both Apple and PC computer labs, Chrome Books and tablet iPads.
- **ACHIEVEMENT** St. Rose of Lima students continue to excel with impressive results on the High School Entrance Exams, resulting in the majority of our 8th graders applying to Catholic High Schools at a 100% acceptance rate. We proudly note that many students received full or partial scholarships.
- **EXTRACURRICULAR** In order to provide a well-rounded educational and spiritual experience, we offer many extra curricular activities including Junior Rosary Society, After School Enrichment, Band Instruction, School Fair, Student Council, Chorus, Yearbook, National Junior Honor Society, Art Workshops, NYS All County Concerts, Green Team and Faithfilled Hearts Clubs.
- PARENTS AND FAMILIES Strong parent involvement is encouraged and welcomed.

To enable us to give you personal attention while you are here, this special event is by appointment only, and space is limited. Please call the school at 516-541-1546 to reserve your place for one of the two time slots. In order for you to receive the full benefit of your visit, we respectfully request that younger children not accompany you at this time.

www.stroseschool.net



Rose of Limb School News







The kindergarten children celebrated Thanksgiving. The children brought in apples, bananas, strawberries, grapes, cheese, cookies and corn muffins. The Native American and Pilgrim boys and girls had an enjoyable morning sharing with their friends.









The St. Rose of Lima School Community collected food for the needy of St. John of God Church in Central Islip. On November 21, members of the Faith Filled Hearts Club helped distribute the food and turkeys for Thanksgiving holiday dinners.



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ST. ROSE CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS AT THE ANNUAL CYO MASS!

Join us as CYO, Outreach, and Life Teen all team up to bring the Christmas Spirit here to St. Rose!

Sunday, December 10 at the 5:15 pm Mass



The ministries are sponsoring a toy drive this year for the St. Rose Community.

Any new, unwrapped toys for our children and gift cards for our teens are greatly appreciated. Help us make a difference with your donations!

Please bring them with you to Mass.



After Mass, please join us for the Parish Christmas Tree Lighting, along with food & refreshments, in the Fr. Dan Hurley Memorial Gymnasium.

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Religious Education Classes

Tuesday Religious Formation - 4:15 PM
Tuesday, December 5

Tuesday classes for Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6

Saturday Religious Formation - 8:45 - 9:45 AM Saturday, December 9

Saturday classes for Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6

1st Grade Religious Formation Saturday Classes - 8:45 AM
Session A - December 9 Session B - December 16

1st Grade Religious Formation Tuesday Classes - 4:15 PM
Session B - December 5 Session A - December 12

Grade 7

Tuesday Session - December 5 - 7:00-8:30 PM-Auditorium Saturday Session - December 9 - 9:00-10:30 AM-Auditorium

Grade 8

Tuesday Session – December 12 - 7:00-8:30 PM-Auditorium Saturday Session - December 16 - 9:00-10:30 AM-**IN CHURCH**

Grade 5 Liturgy at the 9:30 AM Family Mass

Sunday, December 10 - Last names A-L Sunday, December 17 - Last names M-Z

8th Grade Holy Hour Wednesday, December 6

beginning at 6:30 PM in the Church
If you did not attend on November 15, please attend
on this date. Please bring reminder flyer and print
your child's name on flyer to be collected for attendance.

Coming Soon - Catechist Meetings Catechist's Meeting in Room 108 at 10 am OR 7 pm

Grade 2 - Monday, December 4

Grade 5 - Monday, December 11

Grade 3 - Wednesday, December 13

Grade 4 - Monday, December 18





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Advent begins Sunday, December 3

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Christmas Concert - St. Anthony's High School is hosting a Christmas Concert of Instrumental and Choral Music on Friday and Saturday, December 8-9 beginning at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium.

Day of Prayer and Healing for Women - The Day of Prayer and Healing for Women is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space for those women suffering from abortion loss. It will be held on Saturday, December 9. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 888-456-4673 or visit respectlife.drvc.org.

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women - Join them for a Breakfast on Saturday, December 9 at the Hofstra Club in Uniondale. The speaker will be Amelia de la Fuente-Avellaneda who will be sharing her journey from persecution in Cuba to freedom in the United States. For more information, call Judy at 917-453-5750.

St. Joseph Choir - The renowned St. Joseph's Choir will present a free concert at St. Joseph's Church in Babylon Village on Sunday, December 10 at 7:00 pm. Proceeds will benefit the Mercy INN Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch. For more information, call 631-669-0068.

Xavier Society for the Blind - Please join them on Wednesday, December 13 at 10:00 am for the Feast Day Mass in honor of St. Lucy, patron saint of the blind, in the Lady Chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral. There will be large print and braille readings for the mass available.

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Coming December 3

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