

# Masses

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:15 pm

**Sunday:**

8:00 am, (Livestreamed Multi-Intention Mass),  
10:00 am (Family Mass), 12:00 pm (Choir Mass),  
5:15 pm (Contemporary Music Mass)

**Weekday Mornings:**

7:30 am and 9:00 am (Livestreamed)

**Weeknight Mass:**

Monday, 7:30 pm (No 7:30 pm mass on civil Holidays)  
Monday Vigil before Tuesday Holy Day 4:00 pm Mass

**Saturday Mornings:**

8:00 am (Livestreamed)

**Weekly Holy Hours**

Thursday, 8:00 am

**Confessions (Reconciliation):**

Weekdays following 9:00 am mass and  
Saturdays between 4:00-5:00 pm

## Pastoral Team

**PASTOR:**

Rev. Gerard Gentleman

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B U L L E T I N

# St. Rose Of Lima Catholic Church

Sunday, December 31, 2023

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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. 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. If you would like to register, please see the Welcome section on the homepage of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) for details.

- Fr. Gerard

**PHONE NUMBERS**

**Rectory**.....798-4992  
**Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-8:00 pm;  
 Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm; closed for lunch, 1-215 weekdays;  
 Saturday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm  
**Rectory Fax**.....795-7836  
**Parish Outreach Office**.....798-4954  
**School Office**.....541-1546  
 (4704 Merrick Road, Massapequa)  
**Office of Faith Formation**.....541-1712  
**Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
 (located next to Outreach, in Convent)  
**Youth Ministry**.....798-4992  
**CYO**.....709-0260

**SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM:** Congratulations on the birth of your child! Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 2:00 pm in the Church; other times may be available. Requirements: an initial interview with a priest or deacon; a Baptism preparation course; a copy of your child's birth certificate and Sponsor Certificate(s). Please go to the Baptism section of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) under Sacraments for full details and a Fillable Form required to get started. The date for your child's baptism can be set once these requirements are met.

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

**MARRIAGE:** Congratulations on your engagement! To begin your journey, please go to the Marriage section of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) under Sacraments for full details and a fillable Registration Form used to schedule an appointment 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, and only after all consultations are complete. It is recommended that you set your date with the church before you contract with a caterer.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

**(OCIA):** Formerly known as RCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults who are not baptized, baptized in another denomination or those who are not fully initiated, become members of the Roman Catholic Church. For information, call the rectory at 516-798-4992 or email Deacon Tommy Elliott at [tommy9.6deacon@gmail.com](mailto:tommy9.6deacon@gmail.com).

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., 1/1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

7:30 Patrick F. Carone  
 9:00 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena  
 12:00 Mass for the People

**Tue., 1/2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors**

7:30 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena  
 9:00 Stephen Shirley

**Wed., 1/3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

7:30 Michael Miranda & Frederick Dsouza  
 9:00 Kenny Coles

**Thu., 1/4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

7:30 Fred Nuzzi  
 9:00 Graham Joseph Vance

**Fri., 1/5 St. John Neumann, Bishop**

7:30 John Raggi  
 9:00 Anthony P. Genovese

**Sat., 1/6 St. André Bessette, Religious**

8:00 Crissy Fox, Robert LiPetri,  
 Michael Ieronimo, Francisco Aponte,  
 Frances & Eddie Hefferan,  
 Mildred & Bob Johnston

**Sat., 1/6 Vigil: The Epiphany of the Lord**

5:15 Vincent, Mildred & Barbara Campanale

**Sun., 1/7 The Epiphany of the Lord**

8:00 Justin Fusco, Jenna Jean Tuller,  
 Rita Bowker, Vincent Prestia,  
 David Campbell, Michael Brown  
 10:00 Anna Marie Polhemus  
 12:00 Robert Golemme  
 5:15 Mass for the People





## ...from Fr. Gerard

*Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another.*

The Church, having placed the Feast of the Holy Family on the Sunday following Christmas, provides us with another perspective on the mystery of the incarnation. The Lord and Savior takes on flesh and in so doing, immerses himself in the family. This Sunday contains one of the few descriptions of the Holy Family in all scripture. Their appearance here emphasizes how important family care is for children and for all human beings. Moreover, holiness is fostered within the family. In 2015, Pope Francis visited the United States and participated in the World Gathering of Families in Philadelphia. Pope Francis said, "Holiness is always tied to little gestures," giving Jesus's statement *"Whoever gives you a cup of water in my name will not go unrewarded,"* as an example. He continued...

*"These little gestures are those we learn at home, in the family; they get lost amid all the other things we do, yet they do make each day different. They are the quiet things done by mothers and grandmothers, by fathers and grandfathers, by children, by brothers and sisters. They are little signs of tenderness, affection and compassion - like the warm supper we look forward to at night, the early lunch awaiting someone who gets up early to go to work. Homely gestures - like a blessing before we go to bed, or a hug after we return from a hard day's work.*

*Love is shown by little things, by attention to small daily signs which make us feel at home. Faith grows when it is lived and shaped by love. That is why our families, our homes, are true domestic churches.*

*They are the right place for faith to become life, and life to grow in faith."* **Pope Francis, 9/27/15**

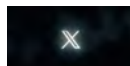
These are important words for us to ponder within our own families. Today is the feast day of family – which is lived out in our parish family and every family. It is the gestures great and small that manifest holiness in the everyday life of the parish.

This is also true for those who, although they are homebound, are very much a part of our parish family. They also share in the little gestures of holiness that build up the parish family. In my previous parish, I often visited with a homebound parishioner who, from her home, would make friendly phone visits to others who are also not able to leave their homes; a small, but very significant act of holiness. The visits that the priests and extraordinary ministers make to people in their homes are moments of joy and a privilege for us. Having the opportunity to connect with these members of our parish family also gives us the chance to assure these parishioners that they continue to be an important part of our parish family and their small acts of holiness matter.

Let us give thanks for the inspiration the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph provide for both our domestic and parish life. Together may we do the little gestures that teach and manifest holiness.

**HOLY DAY SCHEDULE** - Please note the special mass schedule for Monday, January 1. The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is not a holy day of obligation because it falls on a Monday. We have added an additional mass to the regular weekday schedule. Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 12:00 noon. The intercession of our Blessed Mother and our dedication to peace are both very obviously needed. Please join us for one of these masses as we begin our New Year.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



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### **REMEMBERING LOVED ONES**

*The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekend masses was donated  
in loving memory of Maddalena Giambrone - Forever in our Hearts -  
with love from Viola, Lou and Family.*

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*The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekday masses was donated  
in loving memory of Alice DeBonis - Happy Birthday in Heaven -  
with love from your Children and Grandchildren.*

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*The Altar Candles are lit this week in loving memory  
of Diana Frances Russo on her 4th Heavenly Birthday - Forever in our Hearts –  
with love from Pam and Grace.*

### ***Welcome to the Newly-Baptized***



*Blaise Patrick Agolia  
Alexandra Claire Rawlings*



### ***Wedding Banns***

***1st Time***  
***James Dadabo, Jr. & Tiffany Abruzzese,***  
***both of St. Rose of Lima***

### ***In Your Prayers, Remember the Sick...***

*Nikki, Baby Tiffany Diana , Baby Aubrey Theresa  
Geraldine Casterella  
Elizabeth Forte, Douglas Hewitson  
Margaret Lambert, Sal LaGumina, James Orefici  
Sally Ann, Paladino, Janet Pfeffer  
Patty Strick-Wagner*

### ***Please Pray for the Souls of the Recently Deceased***

*Thomas Calandra*



## **Here's What's Happening** **at St. Rose**

**AA** - Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Meeting Room

**Al-Anon** - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Meeting Room

**Anointing Mass** - Saturday, January 6 at 8:00 am

**Centering Prayer** - Thursday, January 4 at 1:00 pm in the Fr. Graham Chapel

**Charismatic Prayer** - Wednesdays at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Chapel (no prayer on Wednesday, January 3)

**Family Mass Committee** - Wednesday, January 10 at 8:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room

**1st Saturday Devotion** - Saturday, January 6 at 7:15 am. This will be held in church as well as livestreamed on our website and Facebook page.

**Respect Life Committee** - Tuesday, January 9 at 7:30 pm in the Rectory Board Room

**Solemnity of Mary Masses** - Masses will be held on Monday, January 1 at 7:30 am, 9:00 am (livestreamed) and 12:00 pm.

**Supermarket Cards** - They will be sold next weekend after the Saturday 5:15 pm and Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12 pm masses.

## ***St. Rose Nativity Scene***



### ***ON THE COVER*** ***by Fr. Anthony***

"*The Heavenly and Earthly Trinities*," or "*The Two Trinities*," is an oil painting on canvas created by the Spanish artist Bartolomé Esteban Murillo around 1675-1682. The painting hangs in the National Gallery in London.

This painting illustrates the belief that Christ is human and divine: the embodiment of the "*Two Trinities*." At the center of the composition, the Christ Child forms part of "*the Heavenly Trinity*" with the dove of the Holy Ghost and God the Father above and part of "*the Earthly Trinity*" with his earthly parents, Mary and Joseph.

***Wishing you a Happy New Year***

***and blessed year ahead.***

***May God's light***

***guide your way***

***in 2024.***





## St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach PANTRY HOURS

Monday - Wednesday 10 am-2 pm

Thursday 10 am-12 pm

Friday Closed

*"The good of the family consists in sharing relationships of faithful love, trust, cooperation, reciprocity which brings about their happiness."*

— Pope Francis

The pantry is starting to run low on these items:

Juice Boxes/Bottles  
Sugar-Free Cookies  
Cooking Oil  
Toilet Paper  
Shampoo  
Coffee (10-13 oz.)  
Paper Towels

Tea  
Cookies  
Mayo  
Napkins  
Hair Conditioner  
Tissues  
Jello/Pudding

**Donations of food store gift cards are always welcomed!**

Outreach assists those living within the St. Rose of Lima parish boundaries who are experiencing difficulties. Please call Outreach at 516-798-4954. All calls are confidential.

**Thank you for loving your Neighbor.**

**Sister Carol & Ann**

A "BIG THANK YOU" for the store gift cards which allowed our pantry guests the ability and dignity to purchase Christmas gifts for their families. Thank you, too, for the filled Blessing Bags. We are so blessed by your unbelievable generosity.

## Office of Faith Formation

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 am - 2 pm

Phone: 541-1712

E-mail: [religious@srolchurch.org](mailto:religious@srolchurch.org)

Website: [www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)

Facebook: St. Rose of Lima Office of Faith Formation



Religious Education Classes  
Happy New Year!



Classes resume as follows:

Tuesday classes - January 2 from 4:15-5:15 PM

Grades 1B, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and Special Needs

Saturday Classes - January 6 from 8:45-9:45 AM

Grades 1B, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

### 2nd Grade Reconciliation Schedule

#### Session 1

January 2 at 7:00 PM

#### Session 2

January 6 at 11:00 AM

#### Session 3

January 6 at 12:30 PM

#### Session 4

January 9 at 7:00 PM

#### Session 5

January 16 at 7:00 PM

#### Session 6

January 20 at 11:00 AM

#### Session 7

January 20 at 12:30 PM

#### Session 8

January 23 at 7:00 PM

Reconciliations are held in the Church.

Please remember to bring your yellow

First Holy Communion information card.

### 4th Grade Catechists - Coming Soon!

Tour of the Church Training

Wednesday, January 10 at 6:30 PM in the Church



Be a better guide

### Grade Level Masses

#### January 7

3rd Grade at 10:00 AM

7th Grade at 5:15 PM

#### January 14

2nd Grade at 10:00 AM

6th Grade at 5:15 PM

#### January 21

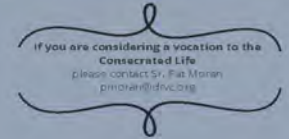
1st Grade at 10:00 AM

7th Grade - Chosen Lesson

#### January 28

4th, 5th Grades at 10:00 AM

6th Grade at 5:15 PM



# January 2024

BLESSED BE HIS HOLY NAME.  
 BLESSED BE JESUS CHRIST,  
 TRUE GOD AND TRUE MAN  
 BLESSED BE THE NAME OF JESUS.  
 BLESSED BE HIS MOST SACRED  
 HEART.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Solemnity of Mary REV. ROBERT HOLZ PRAY FOR INTERCESSION OF MARY	2 REV. BRANDON O'BRIEN PRAY FOR OUR BISHOPS	3 REV. ANTHONY SALIBA SEM. PATRICK MCCORMACK	4 REV. RYSZARD FICEK PRAY FOR DISCERNERS FAMILIES	5 REV. GABRIEL MIAH DCN. DENNIS GANNON	6 MSCR. JOHN NOSSER PRAY FOR PRIEST FAMILIES
7 MSCR. ROBERT BATULE PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS	8 REV. RUDYFERIO PESONCCO SEM. PATRICK O'BRIEN	9 VERY REV. DOM DAMIAN RACH CAN REG SEM. DILLON VITA	10 MSCR. CHARLES FINK PRAY FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS	11 REV. FRANCIS SAMUEL, OIC PRAY FOR VOCATIONS	12 REV. MANUEL ZUZARTE, SAC PRAY FOR SEMINARIAN FAMILIES	13 REV. LAWRENCE CHADWICK PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS
14 REV. ROBERT HEWES PRAY FOR THE YOUTH OF OUR DIOCESE	15 REV. MONSON VARCHESI DCN. JOSEPH LETTIERI	16 REV. GONZALO OAJACA-LOPEZ PRAY FOR MISSIONARIES	17 REV. FRANK TEYE ADDEY SEM. NICHOLAS WALDRON	18 REV. LOUIS CONA PRAY FOR INTERCESSION OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY	19 REV. SUNG HO KIM PRAY FOR DISCERNERS	20 REV. FRANK GRIECO, JR. SEM. AUGUSTE HORNER
21 MOST REV. JOHN DUNNE PRAY HOLY MARRIAGES	22 MSCR. BRIAN MCNAMARA PRAY TO PROTECT THE UNBORN	23 REV. JAMES DONOVAN, SJ PRAY FOR DEACONS	24 REV. ANTHONY IACONIS SEM. HERLEY MENDEZ	25 REV. MICHAEL BARTHOLOMEW PRAY FOR RETIRED PRIESTS	26 REV. PETER LIU SEM. ROBERT PARADISO	27 REV. STEPHEN PIETROWSKI SEM. KEVIN RUEDA
28 REV. KEVIN THOMPSON PRAY FOR PEACE, JUSTICE AND HOPE	29 REV. NESLY JEAN-JACQUES, SMM SEM. JOHN BEATTY	30 REV. LACHLAN CAMERON PRAY THE CHURCH	31 REV. CAMILO LUGO PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS BROTHERS			

TO BE ADDED TO THE MONTHLY PRAYER CALENDAR EMAIL, PLEASE SEND YOUR REQUEST TO VOCATIONS@DRVC.ORG



## How Do I Request Prayer for myself or someone I love at St. Rose of Lima?

Our parish receives numerous prayer requests from parishioners, and non-parishioners, for a variety of needs, but mostly for those who are experiencing an illness. Following is a list of opportunities for prayer in our parish:

**Prayers for the sick from the pulpit and in our weekly bulletin:** Please call the rectory (516.798.4992) during regular business hours to add your name to this list. Names are mentioned from the pulpit during all Masses for one week, and are then transferred to the bulletin for a period of three weeks. *(Please note: 1) For privacy reasons, if you are requesting prayers for someone other than yourself, you must have the permission of the person being prayed for to add their name to this list. 2) If a name is not announced, please know that they are not forgotten, as we pray for all those who are ill and convalescing at every Mass).*

**Parish Prayer Intention Book:** A book is located in the church narthex by the statue of St. Rose of Lima, where you can write your prayer request. These prayers can be for any reason, including for those serving in the military, and will be included collectively in our Sunday and weekday Mass intentions.

**Charismatic Prayer Group prayer box:** There is a box located on the shelf in the church vestibule - the entrance from the parking lot by the sacristy door - where you can place your request for prayers. Each week, the members of the Charismatic Prayer Group check the box and the prayer requests are divided amongst the members. They will pray for your needs during their meeting on Wednesday afternoons, and continue at their homes. Paper and pencil are available by the prayer box for your convenience.

**Prayer Line Ministry:** Call or email (mariap@srolchurch.org) the rectory to request prayers. Members of this ministry receive a weekly list of names of people in need of prayer and pray for them in the privacy of their own home. Only first names are used to protect the privacy of the individual being prayed for.

**For the Military:** Call the rectory to request prayers for those serving in the military and we will print the person's name, and the branch they serve in, in the bulletin on a monthly basis.



## ST. ROSE OF LIMA PRESENTS:

**DANIEL G. MAZZOLA,  
CFA, CPA  
AND ASSOCIATES**

**SATURDAY,  
JANUARY 20, 2024  
BETWEEN  
10:30AM - 1:30PM**

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FINANCIALLY**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE  
PROVIDED**

**10:30 AM NAVIGATING  
MEDICARE MAZE**

*GRACE HORAN LUCE*



**11:15 AM SMARTER  
SOCIAL SECURITY**

*DANIEL G. MAZZOLA*



**12:00 PM ELDER CARE  
AND ESTATE PLANNING**  
*AARON E. FUTTERMAN, CPA, ESQ.*

**12:45 PM TAXES 101  
PREVENTING NEEDLESS  
LIABILITIES**

*DANIEL G. MAZZOLA*



### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**



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## ...AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

**Babylon Chorale** - Auditions will be held on Monday, January 15 starting with rehearsal at 7:30 pm at Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For more information, visit [www.babylonchorale.org](http://www.babylonchorale.org).

**Help Wanted** - Catholic Charities' Suffolk Meals on Wheels program is looking for a driver, 20 hours per week, \$16.77 per hour, to deliver meals to homebound seniors. If interested, call Izabela, 631-789-5219.

**Retrouvaille, A Lifeline for Married Couples** - Retrouvaille is a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthier, happier marriage. You will not be asked to share the personal details of your story. The next weekend is January 19-21 at The Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org).

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