

**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](https://www.facebook.com/strosemassapequa)

www.stroseschool.net

PHONE NUMBERS

Rectory Office.....798-4992/4989

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 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

Birthright.....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.

MARRIAGE: 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., 12/10 Advent Weekday

7:30 Robert Knecht

9:00 Terrence O'Hara

7:30 Charles French

Tue., 12/11 St. Damasus I, Pope

7:30 Virginia Murphy

9:00 Gerard Erikson

Wed., 12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:30 December Members of the Bennett Family

9:00 Patricia Berge

Thu., 12/13 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

7:30 Samantha Peterkin

9:00 Dominik L. Pinzone

**Fri., 12/14 St. John of the Cross, Priest and
Doctor of the Church**

7:30 Nora Nevin

9:00 Frank Gatta

Sat., 12/15 Advent Weekday

8:00 Virginia O'Hara

Sat., 12/15 Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent

5:15 Anna Marie Byrnes

Sun., 12/16 Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 Justin Fusco

9:30 Lucy Penza

11:00 Josephine Dauro, Gaetano Agro,
Leo White, Antonia Buttigieg,
Julia Ramos Budney, Jose Matos,
Jean Vitale, Rosa Sassone,
Rosaria Leone, Genevieve Pagano

12:30 John & Blossom Cohee

5:15 Mass for the People



Fr. Ken's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Saint Rose of Lima Parish,

As we begin our New Liturgical Year, it's also time to provide you with a financial report for the past year, September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018. As always, I'd like to emphasize that the church of St. Rose of Lima is not just the sacred building where we gather for worship. St. Rose of Lima Parish, as St. Peter would tell us, is made of "Living Stones." All the people of our parish form this community of faith which constitutes the parish of St. Rose. Priests and Plumbers, Deacons and Dentists, those who minister at our Parish Outreach and those who seek aid at our Parish Outreach, all form the living body which is St. Rose. Ushers, Catechists, Teachers in our School, Maintenance Personnel, Receptionists, children and adults in our choirs are just the tip of the iceberg in working together, in praying together, in laughing and crying together as a family of faith.

I am happy to write, as I have for the past 10 years, that I sincerely appreciate the **GREAT GENEROSITY** of **YOU**, our parishioners, who donate your time, your many talents and your financial support. When you've been asked to help in responding to a particular need, you've always come through. It is through your goodness and compassion that St. Rose remains the vibrant parish model of Catholic Life and Liturgy for other parishes on Long Island. It is through your presence that St. Rose continues to be the home for many important activities and programs.

Through financial and fiscal oversight, we have been able to serve the needs of the parish without excessive use of our Capital Improvement Reserves or new fundraising campaigns. In 2018 alone, through careful planning and management of our funds, we were able to paint the church and greatly enhance the beauty of the sanctuary and Stations of the Cross. Our organ renovation, funded largely through the donations of two beautiful benefactors, has provided our parishioners with a capacity for beautiful music as never before. Most recently over the summer, we were able to replace the cracked concrete in the front of the church with new pavers.

Today I can tell you that our financial status is, for the most part, stable. Your continued generosity allows us not only to meet the needs of our ministries but to provide enhancements like the CHOSEN program for Faith Formation of our Confirmation candidates as well as to sponsor great home programs like FORMED, known as a 'Catholic Netflix' - movies and educational programs for all ages. Our fiscal management allows us to review changing trends and how they may affect us in the future.

In recent months, the Catholic Church has been in the news, and the reports of clerical abuse on children – and the cover-up by various church officials has made us sick and ashamed. These most recent revelations have only emphasized the worldwide downward trends for weekly Mass attendance. We're experiencing the same understandable lack of enthusiasm as parishes all over Long Island are facing.

Certainly, this is a spiritual challenge – to invite those who are disenfranchised and disappointed to a renewal of faith and trust. This downward trend has also become a fiscal challenge with, honestly, fewer people giving less on a consistent basis. The Parish Staff and I have intensified our efforts to renew the invitation to "Come for Healing and to Leave with Hope." Our 9:30 Family Mass has already seen a revitalization and enthusiasm. Children have been receiving stickers on a "Eucharistic Cross" to demonstrate their presence at Mass. We've sponsored a number of Concerts and are looking forward to our Advent Lessons and Carols and Epiphany Concert and Blue Mass which have always been popular events.

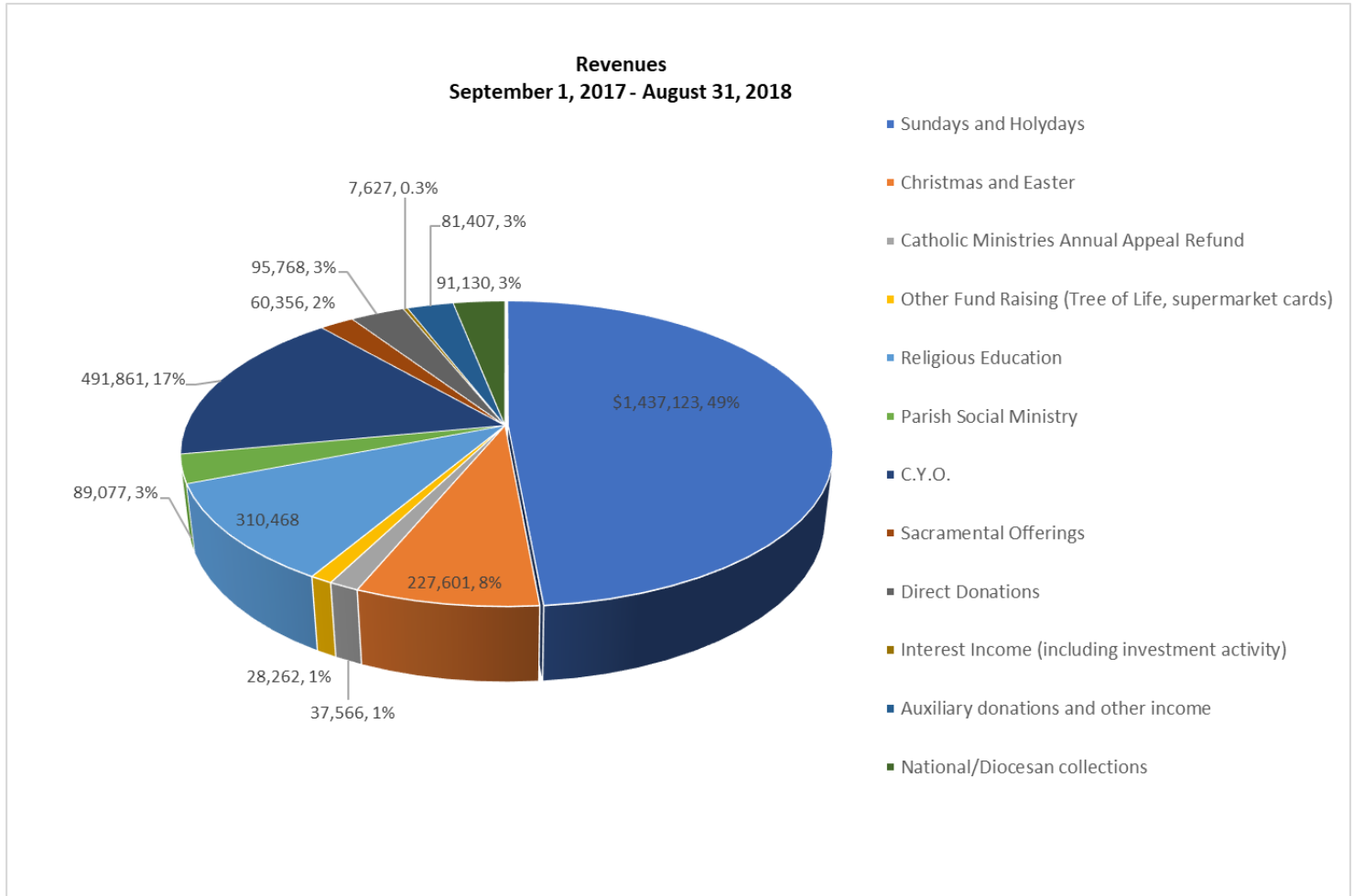
So often in the scriptures, from so many of the prophets to Jesus himself we hear the phrase, "**Do not be afraid.**" While the challenges we face as a parish and a church are a personal burden to us all, we should not fear for our future, for you and I will face that future together. There are too many good people in Massapequa who have experienced the love of Jesus Christ and will continue to share their faith with the community. In closing, I wish to thank you again for your financial and personal support, in a special way acknowledging our long time senior parishioners for their support which represents a significant portion of our overall collections. Please look at the full financial report in today's bulletin and do not hesitate to ask for any additional information. May God Bless you for your generosity and inspire you in your continued prayerful support.

– Fr. Ken

St. Rose of Lima Church**Statement of Parish Financial Activities****For the periods ending August 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016**

Revenues:	2018	2017	2016
<i>Sundays and Holydays</i>	1,437,123	1,405,577	1,450,063
<i>Christmas and Easter</i>	227,601	244,150	242,290
Total Regular Collections	1,664,724	1,649,727	1,692,353
<i>Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Refund</i>	37,566	40,538	36,439
<i>Other Fund Raising (Tree of Life, supermarket cards)</i>	28,262	16,544	17,430
Total Fund Raising	65,828	57,082	53,869
<i>Religious Education</i>	310,468	314,037	299,107
<i>Parish Social Ministry</i>	89,077	58,117	71,635
<i>C.Y.O.</i>	491,861	492,692	505,038
<i>Other</i>	9,287	8,247	6,561
Total Parish Programs	900,693	873,093	882,340
<i>Sacramental Offerings</i>	60,356	70,179	49,030
<i>Direct Donations</i>	95,768	68,166	42,694
<i>Interest Income (including investment activity)</i>	7,627	18,580	36,295
<i>Other- (includes donations for flowers, votive shrines, poor boxes, commissions and rental income)</i>	72,119	71,287	86,159
Total Auxiliary Revenue	235,870	228,212	214,178
National/Diocesan Collections	91,130	89,705	66,314
Extraordinary Revenue: Roof donations			1,250
Total Revenues	2,958,245	2,897,819	2,910,304
EXPENDITURES:			
<i>Religious Education</i>	265,240	261,355	244,532
<i>Parish Social Ministry</i>	215,322	174,692	178,093
<i>C.Y.O.</i>	494,124	477,909	466,431
<i>Youth/Family Ministry</i>	16,983	21,038	23,710
<i>Other Parish Programs</i>	43,150	33,339	3,952
Total Parish Programs	1,034,819	968,333	916,718
<i>(Parish programs include direct program costs and salaries and benefits for each ministry)</i>			

EXPENDITURES (cont'd):	2018	2017	2016
<i>Salaries--Clergy/Administrative et al</i> <i>(represents full & part-time salaries for all clergy,</i> <i>administrative, clerical, music & maintenance staff)</i>	523,449	495,218	514,284
<i>Payroll taxes and benefits</i>	200,259	241,499	243,226
Total Salaries, Taxes and Benefits	723,708	736,717	757,510
Office/Administrative <i>(includes expenses for printing, postage, telephone,</i> <i>computer, professional fees and other miscellaneous)</i>	97,972	120,327	119,223
Parish School Subsidy	249,092	247,228	255,611
<i>Diocesan Assessment</i>	163,021	166,125	168,677
<i>Liturgical Expenses</i>	47,928	69,175	76,170
<i>Charitable Donations</i>	2,500	2,855	2,115
Total Auxiliary	213,449	238,155	246,962
<i>Rectory/Household</i>	35,577	33,749	37,660
<i>Utilities</i>	92,716	78,530	77,498
<i>Contracted Maintenance, Maintenance and Repairs</i> <i>and supplies</i>	149,409	176,574	147,119
<i>Liability and Property Insurance</i>	64,763	59,415	55,014
<i>Other</i>	1,364	1,666	1,356
Total Buildings & Grounds	343,829	349,934	318,647
National/Diocesan Collections	91,130	89,705	66,314
Capital Projects/Renovations	272,614	27,559	52,817
Total Expenditures	3,026,613	2,777,958	2,733,802
Net revenues over (under) expenditures	(68,367)	119,861	176,502
<i>Transfer to Social Ministry Reserve-Sandy</i>			
<i>Transfer from (to) (Capital Impr. Reserve)</i>	75,000	(80,000)	(100,000)
<i>Transfer to (CYO Reserves)</i>		(17,000)	(39,000)
Net increase (decrease) in fund balance	\$ 6,633	\$ 22,861	\$ 37,502

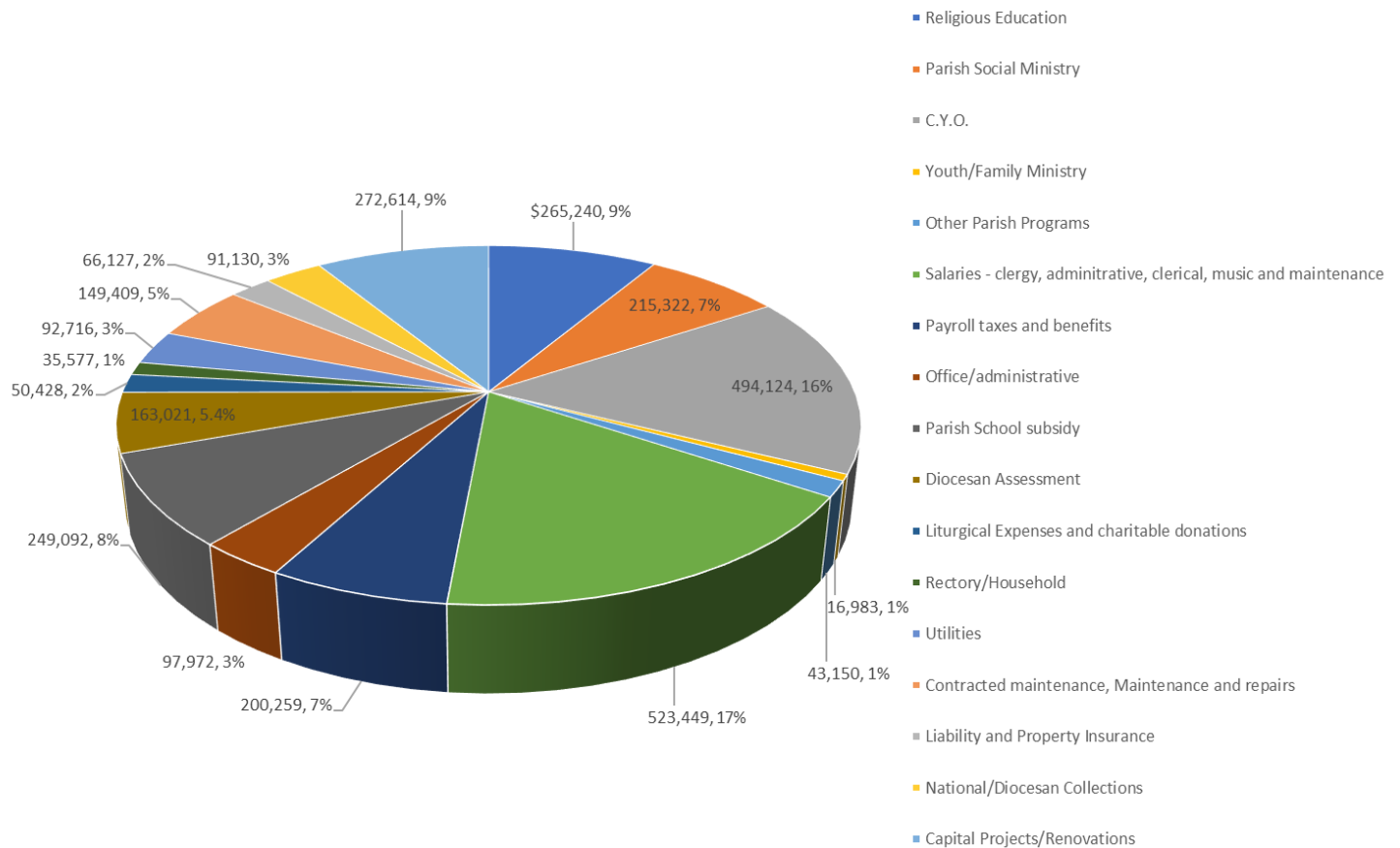


St. Rose of Lima Church
Statement of Parish Financial Activities
For the period ending August 31, 2018

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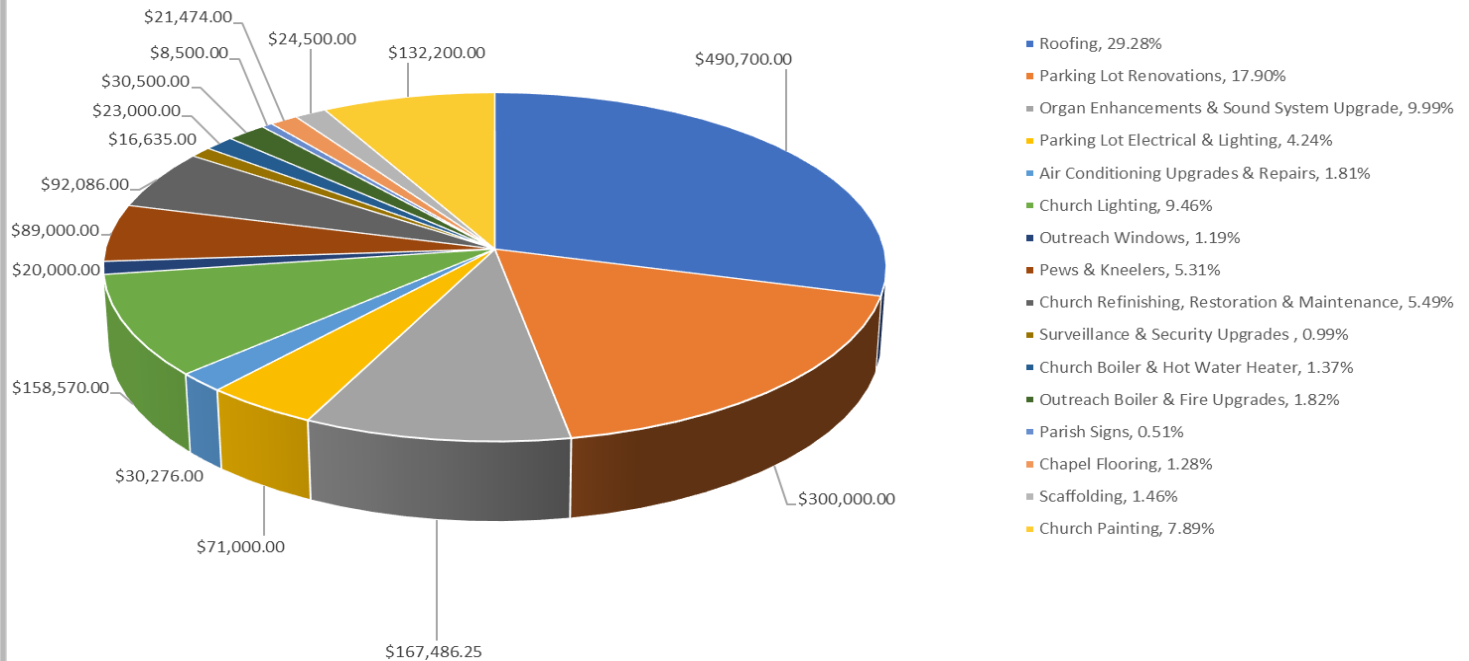
<i>Sundays and Holydays</i>	\$1,437,123
<i>Christmas and Easter</i>	227,601
<i>Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Refund</i>	37,566
<i>Other Fund Raising (Tree of Life, supermarket cards)</i>	28,262
<i>Religious Education</i>	310,468
<i>Parish Social Ministry</i>	89,077
<i>C.Y.O.</i>	491,861
<i>Sacramental Offerings</i>	60,356
<i>Direct Donations</i>	95,768
<i>Interest Income (including investment activity)</i>	7,627
<i>Auxiliary donations and other income</i>	81,407
<i>National/Diocesan collections</i>	91,130
Total Revenues	\$2,958,246

Expenditures
September 1, 2017 - August 31, 2018

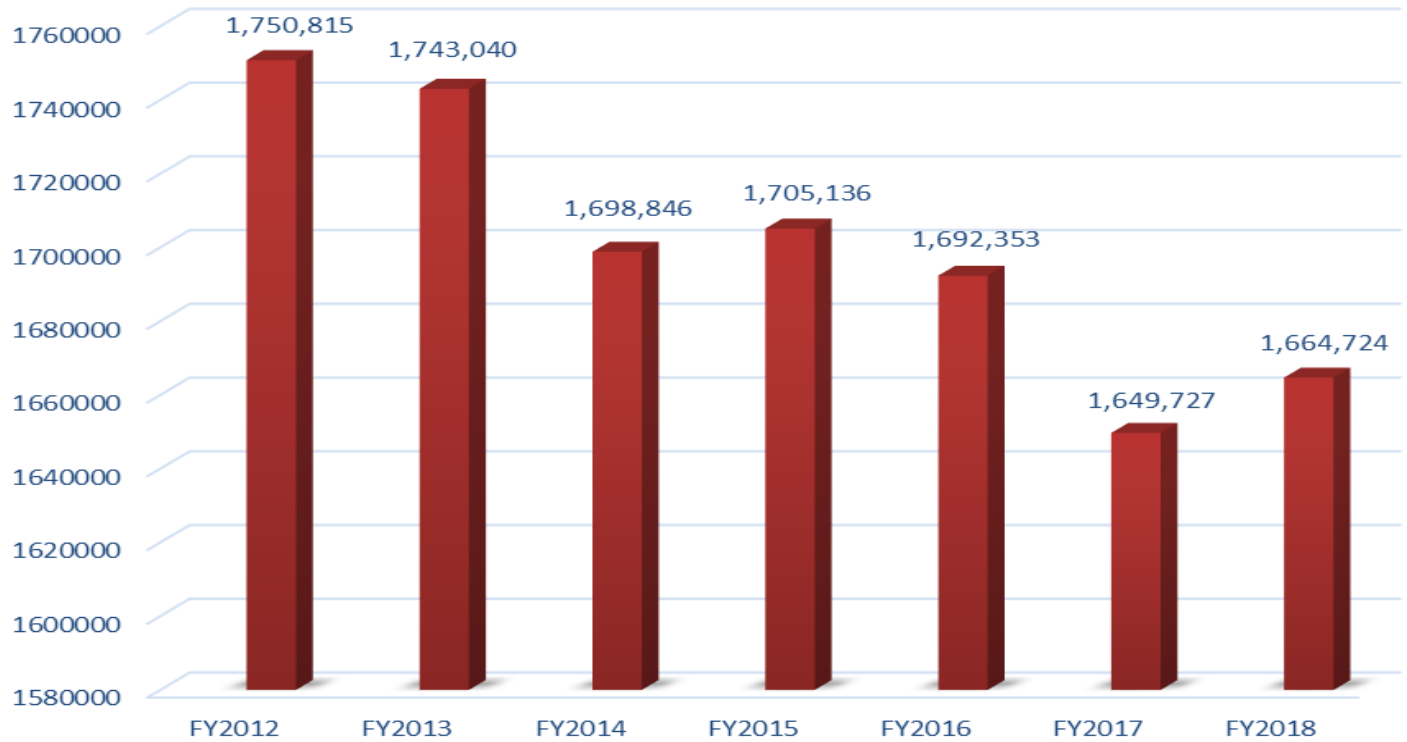


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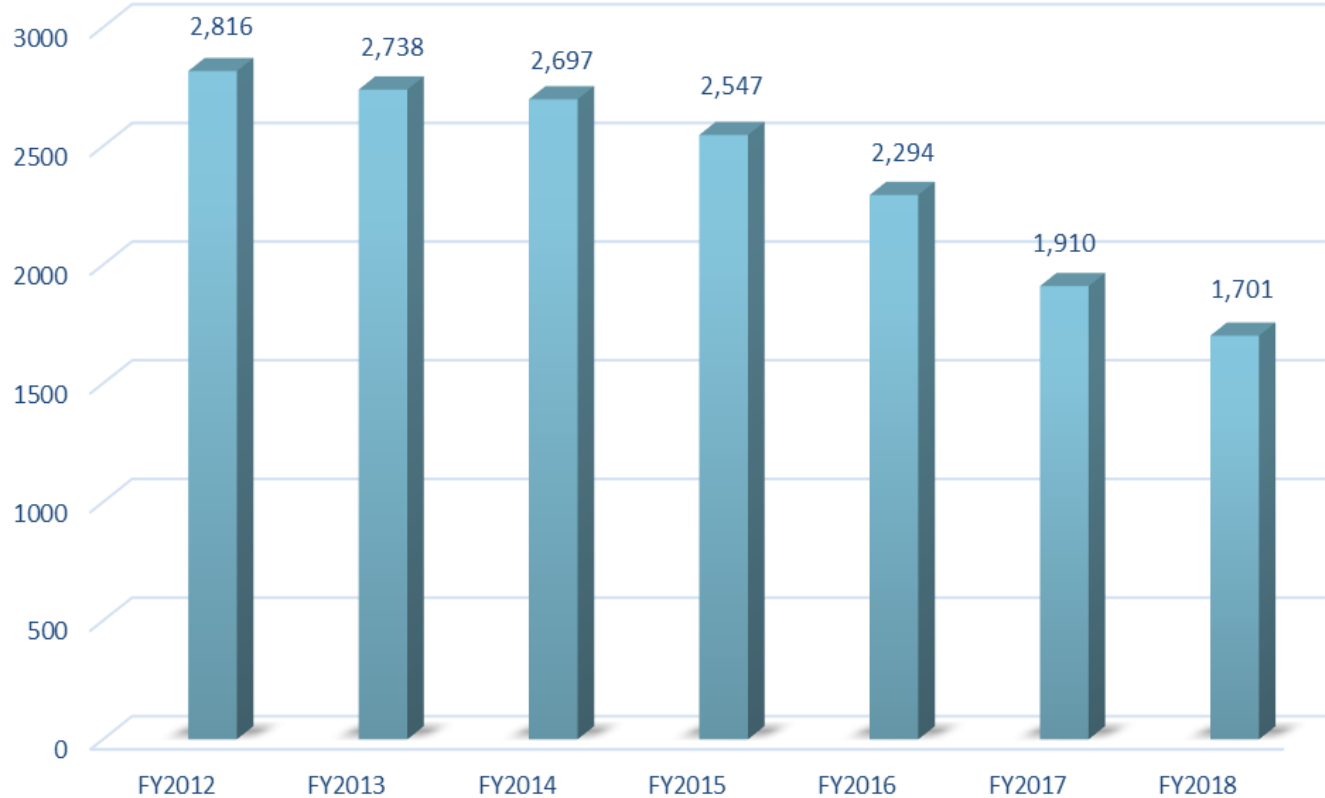
<i>Religious Education</i>	\$265,240	8.8%
<i>Parish Social Ministry</i>	215,322	7.1%
<i>C.Y.O.</i>	494,124	16.3%
<i>Youth/Family Ministry</i>	16,983	0.6%
<i>Other Parish Programs</i>	43,150	1.4%
<i>Salaries - clergy, administrative, clerical, music and maintenance</i>	523,449	17.3%
<i>Payroll taxes and benefits</i>	200,259	6.6%
<i>Office/administrative</i>	97,972	3.2%
<i>Parish School subsidy</i>	249,092	8.2%
<i>Diocesan Assessment</i>	163,021	5.4%
<i>Liturgical Expenses and charitable donations</i>	50,428	1.7%
<i>Rector/Household</i>	35,577	1.2%
<i>Utilities</i>	92,716	3.1%
<i>Contracted maintenance, Maintenance and repairs</i>	149,409	4.9%
<i>Liability and Property Insurance</i>	66,127	2.2%
<i>National/Diocesan Collections</i>	91,130	3.0%
<i>Capital Projects/Renovations</i>	272,614	9.0%
Total Expenditures	\$3,026,613	100.0%

Capital Projects FY2012-2018**CAPITAL PROJECTS FY2012-2018**

Roofing	29.28%	\$490,700.00
Parking Lot Renovations	17.90%	\$300,000.00
Organ Enhancements & Sound System Upgrade	9.99%	\$167,486.25
Parking Lot Electrical & Lighting	4.24%	\$71,000.00
Air Conditioning Upgrades & Repairs	1.81%	\$30,276.00
Church Lighting	9.46%	\$158,570.00
Outreach Windows	1.19%	\$20,000.00
Pews & Kneelers	5.31%	\$89,000.00
Church Refinishing, Restoration & Maintenance	5.49%	\$92,086.00
Surveillance & Security Upgrades	0.99%	\$16,635.00
Church Boiler & Hot Water Heater	1.37%	\$23,000.00
Outreach Boiler & Fire Upgrades	1.82%	\$30,500.00
Parish Signs	0.51%	\$8,500.00
Chapel Flooring	1.28%	\$21,474.00
Scaffolding	1.46%	\$24,500.00
Church Painting	7.89%	<u>\$132,200.00</u>
	100.00%	<u>\$1,675,927.25</u>

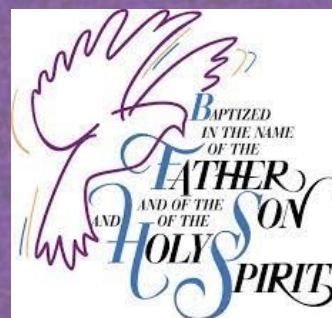
Annual Church Collections FY 2012-2018

Note: FY2017 represents 51 weeks regular collections plus Christmas (falling on a Sunday) and Easter. All other years represent 52 weeks regular collections plus Christmas and Easter.

Annual Average Mass Attendance FY 2012-2018

St. Rose by the Numbers

Baptisms
273



Marriages
58

Confirmations
349



*Activities, Meetings,
Gatherings*
2,261

*Enrollment of St. Rose of Lima
Parish School*
308



*Enrollment of St. Rose of Lima
Faith Formation*
1,544 Families
2,408 Children



*Volunteer
Catechists*
307



Communion Calls
2,755

*Reconciliation &
Eucharist*
331

*Masses (including
weekdays and
Holy Days)*
942



*New Families
Welcomed*
190

Total Families
7455



500

Funerals
168





REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

*In loving memory of Charles W. French on his 1st Anniversary in Heaven,
the Tabernacle Evergreens, Blessed Mother Evergreens
and St. Joseph Evergreens are displayed,
and the Sanctuary Lamp and Altar Candles are lit,
with love from Lori, Allison and Family.*

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*The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekend masses was donated
in loving memory of Edna O'Gara on her Birthday in Heaven,
with love from Eileen, Alison, Arthur, Caitlyn, Anna and Patrick.*



Welcome to the Newly-Baptized



Sebastian James Rock

In Your Prayers, Remember the Sick...

*Richard Betz,
Vito Cassata,
Jessica Hollman,
Jane Kleemann,
Ed Maiorino, Sr.,
Patricia Mulligan Langdale,
Jennifer Muré,
George Seyfried,
Diana Vallone*

Please Pray for the Souls of the Recently Deceased



*Albert Bartlett
Mary Jennerich
Rosanne Levine
Mary C. Russo*

Upcoming Events at St. Rose

Centering Prayer - Thursday, December 20 from 1:45 pm to 2:45 pm in the Fr. Graham Center

Charismatic Prayer - Wednesdays at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center (no meeting on December 12)

FORMED - St. Rose has a gift for you. It's easy to register. Go to www.srolchurch.formed.org. If you have any questions, call the rectory at 516-798-4992.

GRASP (Grief Recovery After Substance Passing) - Being held off grounds on December 14

Sunshine Group, Social Group for Widowed People - Thursday, December 13 at 12:45 pm

**CALLED TO BE
A CATECHIST**

*Pray for Catechists
and Their Families
During the Year*

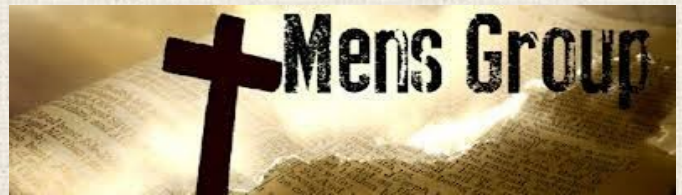
Ann Marie DiGennaro
Lisa DiMarco
Natina DiOrio
Jennifer DiSpigno
Jeanine Diaz
Michelle Drescher
Nancy Edzards



December 2, 2018
\$21,797.00 Weekly Offering
\$ 4,475.00 Online Giving
\$26,272.00*

*Budget - \$29,000

December 3, 2017
\$25,733.00 Weekly Offering
\$ 5,731.00 Online Giving
\$31,464.00



The St. Rose Men of Solidarity is a group of men - that is, fathers and dads, uncles, brothers, cousins and friends who gather to discuss their faith and what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world.

Come join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, December 12 at 8:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. There will be refreshments.

We will be looking at the readings from Sunday, Dec. 16 at: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/121618.cfm>.

Come and Share your faith and your comradery with us this night.

Quote of the Day: St. Rose of Lima
"Without the burden of afflictions it is impossible to reach the height of grace. The gift of grace increases as the struggle increases."

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 8 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.



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.

Meaning & Symbolism of Poinsettias

What is the meaning of poinsettias? Also known as the Christmas Star and Christmas Flower, it's said that poinsettias' association with Christmas comes from a Mexican legend. The story goes that a child, with no means for a grander gift, gathered humble weeds from the side of the road to place at the church altar on Christmas Eve. As the congregation witnessed a Christmas miracle, the weeds turned into brilliant red and green flowers.

The shape of the poinsettia flower and leaves are sometimes thought as a symbol of the Star of Bethlehem which led the Wise Men to Jesus. The red-colored leaves symbolize the blood of Christ. The white leaves represent his purity.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

*What is Advent? How can I prepare for Christmas?
How can I make our Christmas celebration more meaningful?
FORMED.org can help!*

Advent means “arrival” or “coming.” The Jewish people had been anticipating for centuries the arrival of the Messiah who would bring them a new deliverance, a new covenant, a new temple, and a new promised land. Advent invites us to joyfully and prayerfully anticipate the birth of the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

TIPS TO MAKE THE MOST OF ADVENT USING FORMED.ORG



Display an Advent Wreath and study the weekly Readings: Display a wreath in your home, light the candle that corresponds to the week in Advent, watch ***Opening the Word Year C (Advent through Epiphany)*** to prepare for the Sunday readings, and use the guides for discussion and reflection.

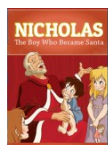


Bless Your Christmas Tree: Read along to the animated storybook ***Kristoph and the First Christmas Tree*** and recite the blessing for your own Christmas Tree.



Participate in the Prepare the Way Advent Video Study: The themes for Advent are: 1) how God has saved His people in the past; 2) how God is saving His people in the present; 3) how Jesus Christ will ultimately come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. Episodes from the Symbolon series deliver beautiful and insightful teaching on each of these themes. > **Week 1:**

The Story of Salvation; Week 2: Who is Jesus?; Week 3: The Paschal Mystery; Week 4: The Last Things



Celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas with Your Children: Watch ***Nicholas, The Boy Who Became Santa***, on December 5th, and have your children place a shoe in the entryway before going to bed so they awake on the Feast of St. Nicholas with a shoe full of candy.



Read to Your Children: Share special quality time with your children reading the charming Christmas story, ***Christmas with Bernadette***



Watch a Religious Movie: Advent is a great time to fix our attention on the things of God. Family movies for consideration: > ***Mary of Nazareth; Brother Francis: O Holy Night; Hildegard's Gift; The Story of the Nativity.***

FORMED.org is our gift to you! It's free and easy to register!

1) Go to www.srlchurch.formed.org 2) Click “Register” 3) Enter your name, email address, and desired password

You're all ready to enjoy the inspiring and engaging content on FORMED!

Concerts for the Advent & Christmas Seasons

Advent Lessons & Carols

Friday, December 14 – 7:30pm

*Featuring all the Choirs
with Organ & Trumpet*

A solemn service of hymns,
readings and anthems to help
us prepare for the Birth of
Our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Wine and Cheese Reception
after the service for adults
(Snacks available for children)*



Christmas Eve Concert

Monday, December 24 – 8:30pm

Preceding the 9:00pm Choir Mass

*Featuring the Parish Choir &
Soloists with Organ & Trumpet*

A short concert with something for
everyone including the beloved
“O Holy Night” duet!



Epiphany Lessons & Carols

Sunday, January 6, 2019 – 3:00pm

*Featuring all the Choirs
with Organ & Brass
along with a
“Three Kings Procession”*

A festive service of hymns, readings
and anthems to celebrate the
Epiphany of the Lord.



Music Ministry



Christmas Memorial Donations

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

Each donor will have their memorial displayed on a special page in the Christmas Bulletin.

Simply fill out your memorial below and mail or drop off this form with your donation to the Church. Suggested Donation, \$100.

Thanks to so many of you who have supported our Music Ministry in years past and those contributing this season. May the cherished music of Christmas bring Peace, Joy and Hope to all!

ALL DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 10!

In honor of....

Or...

In loving memory of

Please mail or drop off this form with your donation to St. Rose of Lima Church
2 Bayview Ave, Massapequa, NY 11758 Attn: Music Director

Thank You!



Happenings at the Family Mass!



St. Rose of Lima celebrates its Family Mass each Sunday at 9:30 am. The Family Liturgy Committee aims to provide our Family Mass with an environment where faith can be shared, developed, and renewed for all family members. Through our efforts, we hope to develop a true sense of community here in our parish.

Upcoming Family Mass Activity

Here's what's coming up for the St. Rose of Lima Family Mass:



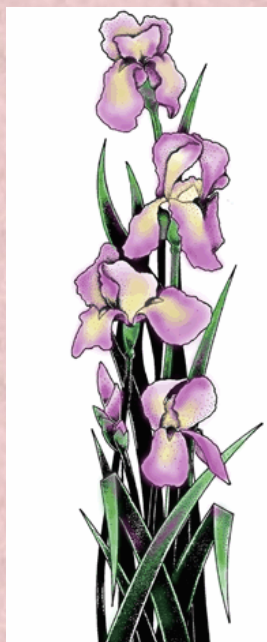
December 16, 2018 (Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday) – **Bambinelli Sunday** or the **Jesus Nativity Statue Blessing** - at the 9:30 am Family Mass. Please join us at the Family Mass for a special blessing of the parishioners' Jesus Nativity Statues which follows the Roman practice of the blessing of the "Bambinelli." Each year, on the Third Sunday of Advent, children gather with their families in St. Peter's Square for "Bambinelli Sunday." The children bring with them figures of the Christ Child – the "Bambinelli" – from their family's Nativity scene. During the noontime Angelus prayer, the pope blesses the children and the figurines they have brought.

Before this Third Sunday of Advent, unpack your family's Nativity and bring the statue of Baby Jesus to the 9:30 am Family Mass for this special blessing.

Advent Angels Gift Collection Reminder: December 9 is the last day for our collection! The "Family Wish Gifts" will be delivered to Farmingville immediately following the 9:30 am Family Mass on December 9. Other 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).

If you have any questions about the Family Liturgy Committee, call or e-mail Matt and Kelly Baroletti (798-6026, mbaroletti@verizon.net).

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES



Many parishioners have expressed an interest in making a monetary donation to cover the cost of flowers or the cost of Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Lamp or Altar Candles for a period of one week, usually in memory of or in honor of a loved one. If at any time you are interested in making such a donation, please call the rectory at 516-798-4992 to make arrangements. An acknowledgement of your offering will appear in the bulletin.

Tabernacle Altar Flowers.....\$100
(1 arrangement on each side of the Tabernacle)

Blessed Mother's Altar Flowers.....\$ 50

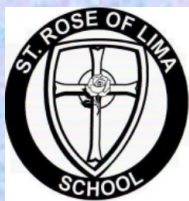
St. Joseph's Altar Flowers.....\$ 50

Bread and Wine (weekend masses).....\$ 25

Bread and Wine (weekday masses).....\$ 25

Sanctuary Lamp... ..\$ 25

Altar Candles.....\$ 20



St. Rose of Lima School News



Mrs. Farmer's first graders have been learning the meaning of Stewardship and caring for others as they prepared for the wonderful feast of Thanksgiving. They collected food for the needy, made thank you cards for Veterans and painted pumpkins proclaiming "Great is the Lord!"



The third graders in Mrs. Brady and Mrs. Martorana's classes prepared a beautiful celebratory Mass for Thanksgiving. Their Pilgrim and Native American costumes lent a festive air to the holiday.



Doing daily acts of kindness in December has been a wonderful way to celebrate everything that is good about the holiday season. This year, Saint Rose kindergarten children enjoyed creating a CHRISTMAS KINDNESS COUNTDOWN CHAIN. They will do a random act of kindness each day during Advent.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018

Advent Lessons & Carols Service

Friday, December 14

7:30 pm in Church

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Monday, December 17

Individual confession from 4:00 – 7:30 pm and again following the 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 22** from 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Masses for Christmas

Christmas Eve, Monday, 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, Tuesday, 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 Day

Monday, December 31

Morning Masses at 7:30 & 9:00 am

and 5:15 pm **Vigil Mass**

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation

Masses at 8:00, 10:00 am, & 12:00 noon

(note: no 7:30 pm Mass on January 1)

New this year - Epiphany Lessons & Carols Concert

Sunday, January 6, 2019

3:00 pm in Church



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

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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.

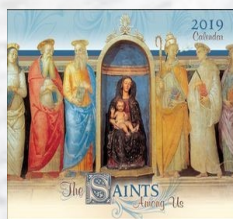


The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
will be offered on

for the intention of

at the request of

Rev. Kenneth M. Zach,
Pastor
St. Rose of Lima Church



The 2019 wall calendars, compliments of James Funeral Home, and the 2019 pocket calendars, compliments of Chapey Funeral Home, will be available in church on December 16. Be sure to pick one up!



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



Christmas Day Multiple Intention Mass

The 12:30 pm Mass on Christmas Day, Tuesday, 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 Monday, December 17. 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.



Second Sunday in Advent

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT SAINTS AND PROPHETS OF THE SEASON

Blessed Virgin Mary - "Because of Mary's obedience, God's salvation was made known to all the nations." It is no wonder that Mary is the greatest of all saints. Mary was conceived without original sin and on December 8, we celebrated the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

The Blessed Mother appeared four times to a native convert named St. Juan Diego who devoted himself to the pilgrims who came to see the image of her left on his cloak. St. Juan's Feast Day is December 9, and on December 12, we celebrate our Blessed Mother's appearance as Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Blessing Bags are available

at the back of the Church, the Rectory, Outreach & Faith Formation

Great Opportunity to
acquire community
service hours.
Ask us about it.



Kindly help us **BLESS** our guest's tables
with your abundant and beautiful
offerings.

This Christmas we will be asking you to
participate by **picking up a Blessing Bag**
with an attached shopping list.

Fill the bag ,and return it to outreach
at the designated times.

12/9 Sunday 9 am - 2 pm

12/14 Friday 8 am - 2 pm

Actual Blessing Bag

St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach

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 were 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 their teenagers -
\$50 Visa/Master Card or Dept. Store Gift Cards.
We're also looking for donations of unwrapped new hats, gloves,
scarves, women's pocketbooks
and fleece blankets.

We will be accepting toys & gifts at the Father Graham Center
Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 4 pm
through **Monday, December 10.**

This Advent ... **GIVE YOUR GIFTS ONLINE!**



IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

*Visit www.srolchurch.org
and click on WeShare on the left side of the page.*

Select the collection of your choice and set up your donation.

It's as easy as that!

*For more information, please call Linda McMahon
in the rectory at 516-798-4992, ext. 266.*



**LAST WEEK
TO ORDER**

RETAIL GIFT CARDS ARE BACK!

Fundraise for St. Rose Parish while you shop for Christmas gifts
or use them for your own errands

St Rose receives the percentage indicated next to each card

Your order and payment must be in the rectory by NOON on MONDAY

We will give you a call when your cards are ready for pickup (usually Thursday afternoon)

Please indicate the # of cards for each dollar amount to be ordered



Store	%	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$100	Store	%	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$100	Store	%	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$100
AC Moore	5	n/a	n/a		n/a	Dick's Sporting Goods	8	n/a	n/a			Omaha Steaks	11	n/a	n/a		n/a
ACE Hardware	4	n/a	n/a			Dressbarn	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Outback/Carrabas	8	n/a	n/a		n/a
Amazon.com	3	n/a	n/a			Dunkin Donuts	3		n/a		n/a	Panera Bread	9		n/a		n/a
AMC Theatre	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Express	10	n/a	n/a		n/a	Payless Shoes	13	n/a		n/a	n/a
American Eagle	10	n/a	n/a		n/a	Famous Footwear	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Pier 1	9	n/a	n/a		n/a
American Girl	10	n/a	n/a		n/a	Foot Locker	9	n/a	n/a		n/a	Red Lobster	9	n/a	n/a		n/a
Applebee's	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Gamestop	3	n/a	n/a		n/a	Regal Theatres	8	n/a	n/a		n/a
AVIS Car Rental **	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Gap	14	n/a	n/a			Rite Aid	4	n/a	n/a		n/a
Banana Republic	14	n/a	n/a			GNC	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Royal Caribbean	13	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Barnes & Noble	9		n/a			Harry & David **	12	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Ruby Tuesday	8	n/a	n/a		n/a
Bath & Body Works	12		n/a		n/a	Home Depot	4	n/a	n/a			Sears	4	n/a	n/a		
Bayview Florist	20					Home Goods	7	n/a	n/a			Sephora	5	n/a		n/a	n/a
Bed Bath & Beyond	7	n/a	n/a			Hyatt Hotels	10	n/a	n/a	n/a		Sergios (Massapequa)	20				
Best Buy	4	n/a	n/a			IHOP	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	Shutterfly	9	n/a	n/a		n/a
Best Western Intl	12	n/a	n/a			iTunes ***	5	n/a	n/a		n/a	Staples	5	n/a	n/a		
Bloomingdale's	12	n/a	n/a			J. Crew	13	n/a	n/a		n/a	Starbucks	7		n/a		n/a
Budget Car Rental **	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	JC Penney	5	n/a	n/a			Subway	6		n/a	n/a	n/a
Buffalo Wild Wings	8		n/a		n/a	Journey's	10	n/a	n/a		n/a	Talbots	13	n/a	n/a		n/a
Burger King	4		n/a	n/a	n/a	Kohl's	4	n/a	n/a			Target	2.5	n/a	n/a		
Cheesecake Factory	5	n/a	n/a		n/a	Lands End	15	n/a	n/a			TGI Fridays	9	n/a	n/a		n/a
Children's Place	12	n/a	n/a		n/a	LL Bean	16	n/a	n/a			TJ Maxx/Marshalls	7	n/a	n/a		
Chili's	11	n/a			n/a	Loews Theatres	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	UA Theatres	8		n/a		n/a
Chipotle	10		n/a	n/a	n/a	Lord & Taylor	8	n/a	n/a		n/a	ULTA	4	n/a	n/a		n/a
Choice Hotels	3	n/a	n/a			Lowe's	4	n/a				Walgreens	6	n/a	n/a		
Claire's	9		n/a	n/a	n/a	Macys	10	n/a	n/a			Walmart	2.5	n/a	n/a		
Crate & Barrel	8	n/a	n/a			Michaels Crafts	4	n/a	n/a		n/a	Wendy's	6.5		n/a	n/a	n/a
CVS Pharmacy	6	n/a	n/a			Nordstrom	6	n/a	n/a			Williams Sonoma	8	n/a	n/a		
Dairy Queen	3		n/a	n/a	n/a	Old Navy	14	n/a	n/a			Zappos.com	8	n/a	n/a		

** - only available in \$50. (pls circle) AVIS, Budget, Harry & David- # wanted? _____

*** - iTunes also available in \$15.- # wanted? _____

NOTE: To find more participating retailers, please visit "glscip.com" & fill out next line

Retailer _____ \$ amt of card _____ # wanted _____

Name _____

of cards ordered _____

Phone _____

total dollar amt \$ _____

Date _____

cash/check # _____

(office use only) order received signature- _____

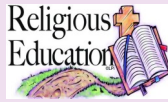
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Religious Education Classes

December 11

Tuesday Religious Formation - 4:15 PM

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

December 15

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

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

1st Grade Religious Formation Saturday Classes - 8:45 AM

Session B - December 15 Session A - January 5

1st Grade Religious Formation Tuesday Classes - 4:15 PM

Session A - December 11 Session B - December 18



Chosen Schedule

Grade 8

Monday Session - December 17 - 7:00-8:30 PM - Auditorium

Tuesday Session - **being held on Wednesday, December 19 -**
7:00-8:30 PM - Auditorium

RESCHEDULED ADORATION - All 8th Grade Students AND
parents attend Adoration February 27 at 7:00 PM

Grade 7

Monday Session - December 10 - 7:00-8:30 PM - Auditorium

Tuesday Session - December 11 - 7:00-8:30 PM - Auditorium

Catechist's Meetings - Room 108 at 10 am OR 7 pm

Grade 6 - Wednesday, December 12 at 7:00 PM ONLY

Grade 5 - Thursday, December 13

Grade 5 Liturgy at the 9:30 AM Family Mass

Sunday, December 16 - Last names M-Z

Grade 3 - Liturgy at the 9:30 AM Family Mass

Sunday, January 6 - Last names A-L

Sunday, January 20 - Last names M-Z

The Season of Advent - Week 2

The second candle lit is purple and is the Candle of Preparation. Prepare means to "get ready." Let us get ourselves spiritually ready for God. "Help us to be ready to welcome you, O God!" (Luke 3:4-6)

Christopher Afetian, Marine Corps
Ryan Thomas Albergo, Marine Corps
Gus Anderson, Army
Vincent Gregory Austin, Marine Corps
Christopher Backe, Army
Ryan Baranek, Marine Corps
Jessica Bennett, Navy

John Botti, Marine Corps
John Bragoli, Marine Corps
Timothy Breen Combes, Army
Stephen Brill, Marine Corps
Brian Coleman, Marine Corps
Joe Cooney, Marine Corps

Sean Cousin, Air Force
Andrew Demarsico, Navy
Patrick Devine, Army
Nicole DiGregorio, Army
Michael Duffy, Army
John Dulko, Navy

Christopher Eckert, Marine Corps
Christopher Ernst, Army

Matthew Fallon, Marine Corps

Michael Farley, Navy

Jonathan Fish, Navy

Michael Flynn-Monaghan, Marine Corps

Weston Gall, Air Force

Jake and Max Gauthier, Marine Corps

Gabriel Gonzalez, Air Force

Ryan Hayde, Air Force

Michael Heyward, Army

Colin Hughes, Navy

Lauren Kerl, Army

Jordan Knoppert, Navy

Jeffrey Kornbluth, Army

Matthew Kramer, Army

Thomas Kramer, Army

Taylor Lalier, Navy

Mike McKabe, Army

David Meehan, Marine Corps

Matthew Mosam, Army

Kelsey M. O'Brien, Navy

Grady O'Halleran, Marine Corps

Timothy Pastor, Marine Corps

Matthew Paul, Marine Corps

Olivia Pavone, Marine Corps

Daniel Ponzo, Marine Corps

Joseph Ramos, Army

Thomas Re, Navy

Jesse Reyes, Air Force

Christopher Rossi, Marine Corps

George Russo, Marine Corps

Sammy Serra, Army

Zachary Small, Army

Peter Stegemeyer, Army

Kevin M. Sutch, Marine Corps

William Kevin Sutch, Marine Corps

Philip M. Veltre, Air Force

Roger P. Williams, Army

William Youssef, Marine Corps

Peter Zaccaria, Navy



"Lord God Almighty, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen"

A Week in the Life of St. Rose...



Nativity Funday



St. Rose of Lima School Christmas Fair

Photos courtesy of Jim Rapp. Please visit our website at www.srolchurch.org (under Events & News tab) to view more pictures.

...AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

Benefit for the Mercy INN Soup Kitchen - Through the generosity of the Church of St. Joseph, the renowned St. Joseph's Choir will present selections from Handel's *Messiah* and Vivaldi's *Gloria* on Sunday, December 9 at 7:00 pm. For more information, please call 631-539-0957.

Healing Mass - There will be a Healing Mass at The Church of St. Anastasia in Douglaston on Tuesday, December 11 beginning with the rosary at 7:00 pm. For more information, contact 718-631-4454.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - The next weekend scheduled will be February 8-10 in Huntington and April 26-28 in Huntington. For more information, call John and Toni at 877-697-9963.

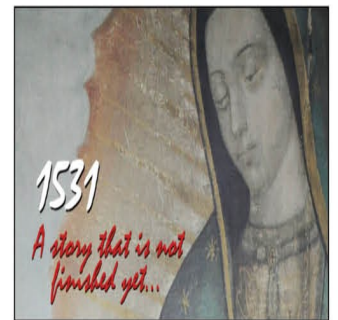
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