

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

ASSOCIATES

Rev. Allan Arneaud
Rev. Anthony Saliba

DEACONS

Dcn. Sean Cotter
Dcn. Thomas Elliott
Dcn. Michael Gambardella
Dcn. Francis B. McGuinness

EVANGELIZATION YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Thomas Griffin, Pastoral Associate
Adam Grand, Pastoral Associate

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Gracemarie Rozea, Coordinator

MUSIC MINISTRY

John Buckel, Director of Music

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Ann Hedgis, Co-Coordinator
Sr. Carol Radosti, OP, Co-Coordinator

PASTORAL LIFE

Barbara Pope, Coordinator

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Brian Jensen

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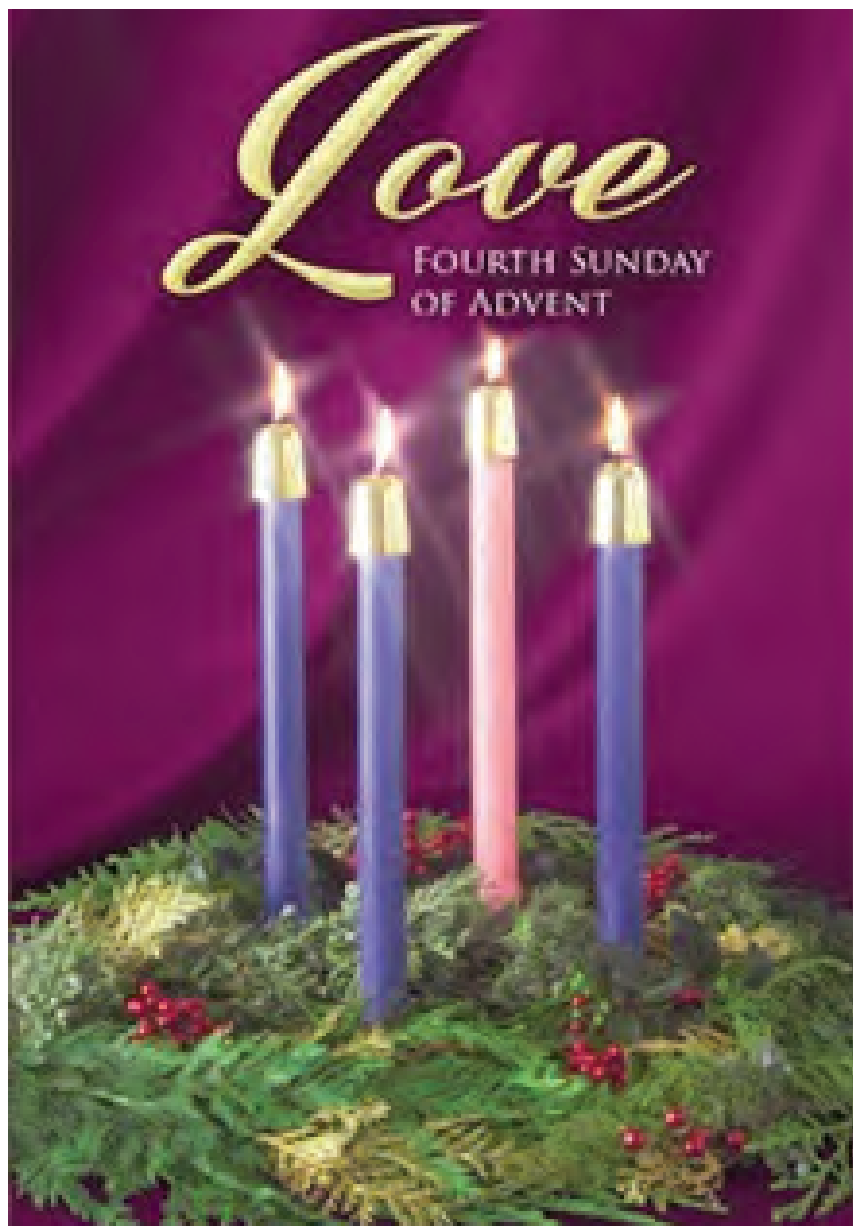


B U L L E T I N

St. Rose Of Lima Catholic Church

Sunday, December 24, 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) 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) 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) 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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., 12/25 The Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)**

8:00 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena
10:00 For Military Families
12:00 For Vocations to the Religious Life

Tue., 12/26 St. Stephen, The First Martyr

7:30 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena
9:00 Joan & Francis Fagan

Wed., 12/27 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:30 For All those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena
9:00 Vincent Santaniello

Thu., 12/28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:30 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena
9:00 Donald Coleman

**Fri., 12/29 Fifth Day within the Octave of
the Nativity of the Lord—St. Thomas Becket,
Bishop and Martyr**

7:30 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena
9:00 Jerry DeSiano

**Sat., 12/30 Sixth Day within the Octave of
the Nativity of the Lord**

8:00 For All Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena, Conrad McCarthy, Cornell Alesi, Faustino Gonzalez, Alfred DeLutio, Rose & Anthony Esposito

**Sat., 12/30 Vigil: The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**

5:15 Norine Townshend & John Smith

**Sun., 12/31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary
and Joseph**

8:00 For Those Enrolled in the Christmas Novena, Justin Fusco, Emily Pampalone, Edward Swierkowski, Jr., Gilbert Braun, Vincent Scalcione
10:00 Jenna Jean Tuller
12:00 Mass for the People
5:15 Maddalena Giambrone





...from Fr. Gerard

Thus, says the LORD: "Should you build me a house to dwell in? It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock...I will fix a place for my people Israel" The LORD also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you.

In the first reading of the 4th Sunday of Advent, the prophet Nathan cautions the great King David about building a dwelling place for the Lord God. The heart of the caution is that God cannot be contained. Furthermore, it is the Lord who establishes a dwelling place for us, not the other way around. The churches, temples, synagogues, and mosques that we erect are not meant to contain God or the life of faith. Rather, they act as places of worship for the faithful to assemble and acknowledge their relationship with God. For Christians, the church is a place of encounter from which we are sent forth. The church building, and the worship contained within it, is to reflect the eternal place that the Lord God has prepared for us. The physical structure of the church also serves as a reminder of the Incarnation, Christ dwells here in this church – and dwells within humanity and all of creation.

It is the Incarnation of the Word made flesh that we come together to celebrate this weekend; the last day of Advent, Christmas Eve, and beginning with the vigil Mass, the first day of the Christmas season. How will we occupy those few hours in between these two liturgical seasons? I pray that we can find time to recognize how God is incarnate in our lives right now. I hope that each of us can find some moments of quiet peace to reflect upon the divine mystery we celebrate, Mary's yes to the Father's desire to send the Son to dwell among us. Coming together during these days, we ponder anew that it is not we who create a place for God in our lives, but the Lord God who became flesh and dwells among us.

A PLACE CALLED "HOME" – Throughout this weekend, we welcome many people back home. Family members, friends, college students, and military personnel will travel great distances to be with loved ones, and in those gatherings, they will feel at home and maybe even recognize the presence of Christ in the "home" they create together.

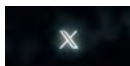
In that same spirit, many will return home to Saint Rose of Lima this week. For the last several weeks, we have been preparing ourselves and our parish community to be a worthy home for the Lord. And so, it is now our opportunity to welcome Him. In a particular way, we welcome him as he comes in the broken-hearted, the estranged, the sorrowing, the poor, the afraid, the tired and the lonely. During these Christmas days, may all be welcomed as Christ.

CHRISTMAS GENEROSITY – Throughout these last several weeks, great efforts have been made to assure that all our friends and neighbors would have gifts, food and other essential items as their families come together this Christmas. I thank everyone who donated to the Advent Angels, CYO and School giving programs. I am especially grateful for the volunteers of our Family Mass Committee, CYO and Parish Outreach as well as Principal Brian Jensen, Faith Formation Administrator Grace Rozea, Parish Social Ministry Coordinators Sister Carol Radosti, and Ann Hedgis and CYO coordinators Lucy Weyer and Lisa Tramontana for the leadership and coordination of all these gift-giving opportunities.

CHRISTMAS GRATITUDE - I also thank all who have helped us to worship well this Advent and now Christmas. We are blessed with dedicated staff and volunteers who have prepared the church for the Christmas liturgies. Thank you to John Buckel and all the Music Ministry participants who have provided us with beautiful Christmas music and throughout the Advent Season. We thank the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers, and Altar Servers for their extra efforts. Lastly, I express my gratitude to our entire parish staff, the pastoral team and my brother priests and deacons whose faith and leadership cultivate the mission of the church so well here at St. Rose.

Merry Christmas!

Fr Gerard



Follow Fr. Gerard at twitter.com/frgerardinny



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Christmas 2023

To the People of God of the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

Merry Christmas to you and your families!

In recent years at Christmas, I have meditated on the relationship between the Nativity of the Prince of Peace and the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

I have been especially inspired by Pope Francis' analysis of the Parable of the Good Samaritan in the second chapter of his 2020 encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*. It is powerful and provocative, and I would recommend it for your mental prayer.

The short phrase in the Christmas Gospel narrative in the second chapter of the Gospel of Luke reads: "She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

"No room for them in the inn." No Good Samaritan stepped up to help the Holy Family. They were ignored and treated perfunctorily and impatiently. Some passed them by. Some pretended not to notice their plight.

Remember too that in the Parable of the Good Samaritan an "inn" is also mentioned. Luke 10 reads: "But a Good Samaritan while traveling came near him, and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn and took care of him."

The inn that the Holy Family approaches on the way to Bethlehem is a sign of rejection and indifference.

The inn in the Parable of the Good Samaritan is a sign of the Good Samaritan's compassion and commitment to go the extra mile and to make sure that the wounded man is taken care of until he is completely healed.

Contemporary literary criticism might very well emphasize that the use of "inn" by the Gospel writer in both the Nativity in Luke 2 and the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10 is not by accident.

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In a sense, the phrase “there was no room at the inn” in the Nativity foreshadows and connects with the phrase in the Parable of the Good Samaritan describing the callous indifference of both the priest and the Levite toward the wounded man on the side of the road: “[H]e passed by on the other side.”

As Pope Francis says in *Fratelli Tutti*: “Each day we have to decide whether to be Good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders.”¹

Our Lady, St. Joseph and the unborn Christ Child experienced the reality of people who decided to be indifferent bystanders.

The Christmas Gospel narrative from Luke 2 poses a question which is posed again later in the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10.

Will we be Good Samaritans?

Or will we be indifferent bystanders?

As the Holy Father reminds us, we make that choice every day.

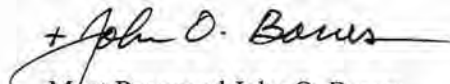
May our prayer, silent contemplation and creative family catechesis of the Nativity scene help us to be instruments of a Nativity Mystery. May the Good Samaritan Gospel revolution of humility, charity, mercy, tenderness and peace unite us in solidarity with the sick, the poor and the suffering, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and all war-ravaged areas of the world.

May our commitment to “holiness and mission” bless our contemplative Synodal listening and our Eucharistic Revival and Evangelization.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families!

May the Light and Love of the Christ Child animate and guide our global Catholic Missionary Spirit on this Christmas night and throughout the New Year.

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹ Francis, encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, October 4, 2020: AAS 112 (11) 969-1074, at no. 70.



REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

*The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekend masses was donated
in loving memory of the deceased members of the Wilcox and Doran Families,
with love from Cathy and Ron.*

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*The Bread and Wine consecrated for the weekday masses was donated
in loving memory of Charles French on his Birthday in Heaven,
we love and miss you, Lori and Allison.*

§
*The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week
in loving memory of Vincent and Edith Carey and David Carey - Forever in our Hearts -
with love from Mary, Joe, Joey and Ryan Downey.*

§
*The Altar Candles are lit this week
in loving memory of Joyce Falco on her Birthday in Heaven - Forever in our Hearts -
with love from the Forlano family.*

§
*The Processional Candles are lit this week
in loving memory of Robert King on his 11th Anniversary in Heaven - Always in our hearts -
with love from his Family.*

Welcome to the Newly-Baptized



*Briella Kay Baker
Syrus Saint Barker
James Clifford Jones*



Wedding Banns

3rd Time
*Bryan Kolasa, St. Raphael, East Meadow, NY &
Casey Minogue, St. Rose of Lima*

In Your Prayers, Remember the Sick...

*Nikki, Baby Tiffany Diana
Baby Aubrey Theresa
Geraldine Casterella
Jerry Donofrio, Elizabeth Forte
Glenn Hudson
Justin, Margaret Lambert
Maximilian Paul
Janet Pfeffer, Joan Smith
Patty Strick-Wagner*

Please Pray for the Souls of the Recently Deceased

*Daniel DeJesus
Gail Florio
Arthur Stile, Sr.
Rose Velazquez*



Here's What's Happening at St. Rose

A Place for Hope - Wednesday, December 27 at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Mtg. Room

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)

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.

Rectory Closed - The rectory will be closed on Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26. It will re-open on Wednesday morning, December 27 at 9:00 am.



12/17/23

\$ 19,473.00
\$ 4,749.00 WeShare
\$ 24,222.00

12/18/22

\$ 17,214.00
\$ 4,938.00 WeShare
\$ 22,152.00

Joseph A.A, Air Force
Christopher Afetian, Marine Corps
Ryan Thomas Albergo, Marine Corps
Vincent Gregory Austin, Marine Corps
Christopher Backe, Army
Ryan Baranek, Marine Corps
Jessica Bennett, Navy
Paul Brachfeld, Navy
John Bragoli, Marine Corps
Daniel Bramson, Army
Timothy Breen Combes, Army
Dante Bright, Army
Stephen Brill, Marine Corps
Brian Coleman, Marine Corps
Joe Cooney, Marine Corps
Sean Cousin, Air Force
Brian J. Cuttler, Marine Corps
Patrick Devine, Army
Richard A. Devoti, Marine Corps
Nicole DiGregorio, Army
Michael Duffy, Army
John Dulko, Navy
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
Shawn Hoose, Army
Colin Hughes, Navy
Lauren Kerl, Army
Jordan Knoppert, Navy
Jeffrey Kornbluth, Army
Matthew Kramer, Army
Thomas Kramer, Army
Matthew Mahlmeister, Army
Mike McKabe, Army
John Michael McDonald, Marine Corps
David Meehan, Marine Corps
Matthew Mosam, Army
Cassidy E. O'Brien, Navy
Kelsey M. O'Brien, Navy
Kevin Occhino, Army
Grady O'Halleran, Marine Corps
Timothy Pastor, Marine Corps
Matthew Paul, Marine Corps
Olivia Pavone, Marine Corps
Christopher Peluso, Air Force
Daniel Ponzo, Marine Corps
Joseph Ramos, Army
Alicen Re, Coast Guard
Thomas Re, Navy
Jesse Reyes, Air Force
Christopher Rossi, Marine Corps
George Russo, Marine Corps
Sammy Serra, Army
Robert Shimborski, Jr., Army
Zachary Small, Army
Peter Stegemeyer, Army
Kelly T. Szal, Army
Robert Van Horn, Air Force
Philip M. Veltre, Air Force
Paul Vermillion, Marine Corps
Roger P. Williams, Army
Thomas E. Winthrop, Navy
William Youssef, Marine Corps
Peter Zaccaria, Navy



**Support
Our
Military**

THE *Christmas* SEASON

"A savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord." (Luke 2:11)

The **Christmas Season**, also known as *Christmastide*, extends far longer than just the day of Christmas. Although Christmas Day has become the primary celebration of the Incarnation, the twelve-plus day celebration includes other aspects of God's divinity becoming united to our humanity in Jesus.

In the early church, the main celebration of this season was the Epiphany (from the Greek for *manifestation* or *showing*) and the focus was on God's revelation of the divine nature in Jesus.

Although Christmas gradually became the primary liturgical focus instead of Epiphany, the whole Christmas season reminds us that our concern is not just on Jesus the baby in the manger. By including the feasts of the martyr Stephen, the massacred Holy Innocents, the Epiphany and Jesus' baptism, we realize that Christ's incarnation always includes not only acceptance but also rejection and persecution. The main observances of Christmastide are:

Christmas Day

The feast of the Nativity of Our Lord and the main celebration of the Incarnation.

Holy Family

The feast celebrating Jesus, Mary and Joseph as the model for Christian families.

Mary, Mother of God

This celebration venerates Mary as the mother of Jesus, the one who was truly God and truly human.

Epiphany

The feast of the manifestation of Christ to the world, in particular to the Gentiles.

Baptism of Jesus

This feast marks the end of Christmastide and celebrates the revelation of Jesus' divinity to the Jewish people.



MORE ABOUT THE MAIN FEASTS DURING CHRISTMASTIDE

Christmas and the Incarnation

"The Word was made flesh, and lived among us," John's Gospel tells us. This sums up the meaning of the term *Incarnation*: the eternal word, the second person of the Trinity, took on a human nature in the person of Jesus Christ. According to the Church councils of Nicaea (AD 325) and Chalcedon (AD 451), Jesus was both fully human and fully divine.

Holy Family

The general breakdown of family relationships at the end of the 19th century prompted Pope Leo XIII and others to promote the observance of the *Holy Family* feast with the hope that it might instill in Christian families something of the faithful love and the devoted attachment that characterize the family of Nazareth. The primary purpose of the Church in instituting and promoting this feast is to present the Holy Family as the model for all Christian families.

Mary, Mother of God

Mary was decreed to be the Mother of God by the Council of Ephesus in AD 431. This title asserts the divinity of Christ as well as his humanity: he was born of woman, yet he was the Son of God. The Solemnity of *Mary Mother of God* commemorates this divine motherhood by not only honoring Mary, who was chosen among all women throughout history to bear God incarnate, but also honors Christ, who is fully God and fully human.

Epiphany

From the Greek word meaning *manifestation*, Epiphany refers to the manifestation of the Incarnation to human beings. Mary and then Joseph were the first to receive the revelation of Jesus' divinity. The traditional Epiphany text of the three Magi who brought gifts to Jesus is understood to signify the revelation of Jesus' divinity to the Gentiles. The baptism of Jesus as well as the wedding feast of Cana are also Epiphany stories in which the divinity of Christ was revealed, in the first case to the Jews and in the second to the disciples themselves.

The Baptism of the Lord

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord commemorates the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River by John the Baptist. Originally the baptism of Christ was celebrated on Epiphany, which then commemorated the coming of the Magi, the baptism of Christ, and the wedding at Cana. Over time, however, the celebration of Jesus' baptism came to be commemorated as a distinct feast from Epiphany and was set on a moveable date following Epiphany that also marks the end of the Christmas season in the liturgical calendar.

Activities following Christmas Day

In our society, much of the celebration of Christmas comes before December 25. For Christians, the days after Christmas provide a period of calm in which the spiritual meaning of the manifestation of Jesus, God-With-Us can be explored. The following activities help us appreciate the meaning of the Incarnation as the new year arrives.

- Take some time to look back upon the previous year and identify your personal "joyful mysteries," moments when God was especially present to you. Express your gratitude to God for these moments and your hope that you will experience more fully the presence of God in the new year.
- The slower pace of activity after December 25 makes this a good time for visiting with family and friends during these days. Reflect on how God is revealed to you especially in your relationships.
- Spend some time in silent prayer before the crib, the Christmas tree or in church. Invite God to touch your heart at the wonder of the Incarnation.

A PRAYER FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

The grace which was revealed in our world is Jesus.
He has entered our history; he has shared our journey.
He came to free us from darkness and to grant us light.
In him was revealed the grace, the mercy,
and the tender love of the Father. *Amen.*

—Pope Francis



MASS READINGS FOR CHRISTMASTIDE 2023

Christmas Day

Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

Holy Family

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40

Mary, Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Epiphany

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Baptism of Jesus

Is 55:1-11 or Jn 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11



St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach PANTRY HOURS

Monday - Wednesday 10 am-2 pm

Thursday 10 am-12 pm

Friday Closed

"Christmas is the feast of love incarnate and born for us in Jesus Christ. He is the light of mankind shining in the darkness, giving meaning to human existence and to the whole of history..." - Pope Francis

The pantry is starting to run low on these items:

Juice Bottles	Tissues
Chef Boyardee	Cookies
Pasta Sauce	Toilet Paper
Shampoo	Conditioner
Taco Kits	Paper Towels
Dish Detergent	Bar Soap
Canned Peaches	Canned Pineapple
Coffee (10-13oz) Reg. & Decaf	Mixed Fruit

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

Office of Faith Formation

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

Phone: 541-1712

E-mail: religious@srolchurch.org

Website: www.srolchurch.org

Facebook: St. Rose of Lima Office of Faith Formation



Christmas Wishes to our Parish Families



We pray your spirit is light with hope, your heart is filled with joy, and your Advent season is blessed with the Glory of God.

May His love bring your peace at Christmas and always.

God Bless you and Merry Christmas!

Grace, Kathy, Nancy, and Karen

The Office of Faith Formation will be closed beginning December 22 and will reopen on January 2.

There are no Faith Formation classes the week of December 18

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

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

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

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

Grade Level Masses

December 31

4th and 5th Grades at 10:00 AM

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

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 Communion information card.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2023

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Weekdays after the 9:00 am Mass

Saturdays from 4:00-5:00 pm, or by appointment

4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23

Vigil at 5:15 pm for the 4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 24

Sunday morning Masses at 8:00 am and 10:00 am only (no 12:00 pm Mass)

(Catholics are obligated to attend mass on the Fourth Sunday of Advent and a Christmas Mass.

The obligations may be met if you attend a Christmas Eve Mass and a Christmas Day Mass.)

Masses for Christmas

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

Family Mass at 4:00 pm (church only)

Choir Mass at 6:00 pm

Solemn Midnight Mass at 12:00 am (livestreamed)

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25

Masses at 8:00 am (livestreamed) and 10:00 am, and 12:00 pm (church only)

*There is **no** 5:15 pm Mass on December 25.*

Holy Family

Saturday, December 30

Vigil at 5:15 pm for Holy Family

Sunday, December 31

Masses at 8:00 am and 10:00 am, 12:00 pm and 5:15 pm

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Monday, January 1, 2024

Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am (livestreamed) and 12:00 pm

No 7:30 pm Mass that evening

Thanks to all our *Friends of Music* who offered donations
in support of the Christmas Brass!

In loving memory of the Gardini and Bonomo Families.

In loving memory of Joseph Diesso.

*In loving memory of Eileen, Frank & Francis Mainieri,
Always in our hearts. Eileen, Tom, and Family.*

*In loving memory of Dominik Pinzone,
Forever in our hearts.
We love and miss you always, Mom, Dad & Anthony.*

In loving memory of Frederick & Pia Parham.

In loving memory of Theodore Witterholt.

*In loving memory of Michael Keir,
Five years in Heaven, Always in our hearts!*

*In loving memory of Alex Berardi,
With love from wife, Erika and daughter, Christine.*

*In loving memory of the deceased members of
the DiGerardo / Murawski family.
Merry Christmas in Heaven.*

*In loving memory of William E. Romeo, Vincent W. Romeo,
and Uncle Al. We love and miss you.*

In loving memory of Josephine and Thomas Guida.

In loving memory of Patricia J. Reid, 10/7/2023.

In loving memory of Angelo Capozzoli and Sandra Baroletti.

*In loving memory of our beloved Aunt Linnie B. Brown,
With much love from Mary Beth & Nick Petraco.*

*In loving memory of Salvatore & Mary Passaretti,
From Their Children and Grandchildren.*

*In loving memory of our parents,
From Mr. & Mrs. William O'Brien.*

*In loving memory of William McGovern,
Forever loved, Forever missed, and Forever in our hearts.
Our love, the Hedgis Family.*

*In loving memory of Domenick & Celeste DeSilvio and Joseph & Adele Immerso,
Love, Anne Marie & Tom Immerso.*

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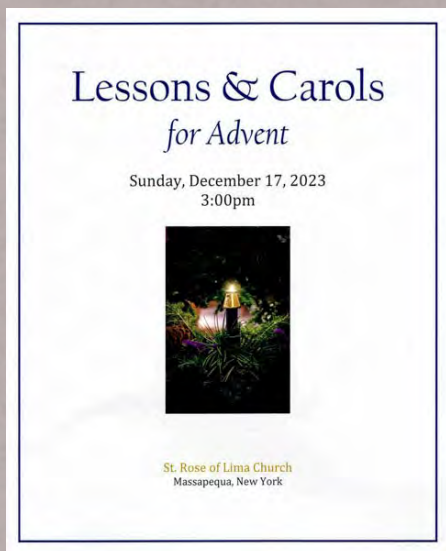
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