

St. Rose of Lima Parish

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Pray... Grow... Serve
Orar... Crecer... Servir

February 19, 2017
ORDINARY TIME 7

The Beauty of Forgiveness

To love our enemies is the most difficult of the Lord's teachings for us to follow. We can love our neighbor, the disadvantaged, those we perceive to be inferior to us. To love the one who intentionally harmed us is very difficult.

In today's Gospel, the Lord addresses the desire for revenge. Jesus quotes a section from Exodus, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." That phrase is often misunderstood; it is not meant to justify retaliation.

It comes from a lengthier section which teaches that if a person harms another in a fight, he shall give "eye for eye, tooth for tooth, burn for burn, wound for wound." The sense of the passage is that if someone should damage your servant's eye, you are not allowed to damage both eyes of his servant. If someone should knock your servant's tooth out, you were not allowed to knock out all of his teeth. In other words, this teaching was meant to cap conflict and prevent escalation. Gradually, however, people began to twist it into an endorsement of revenge.

We all know what happens when people get into the business of revenge. A person does another wrong. The other party retaliates. The individual responds with a fresh injury, then the perpetrator strikes back. Then comes a counter punch. The other hits back, and it goes on until a feud is born - a feud that continues long after the original hurt is forgotten.

The point of today's Gospel is that the only way to end the cycle of revenge and retaliation is through forgiveness. That may sound weak and anemic, but which requires more courage, inner strength, maturity and spiritual muscle? Striking back is easy. It takes spiritual virility to forgive.

The Lord tells us to forgive wrongs consciously. Otherwise, hate will consume us and destroy our spiritual life. Those who choose not to forgive don't really harm those who wronged them, but rather themselves. Our response to one who wrongs us should not be fueled by the urge to strike back, but by whatever will defuse the conflict so both persons can proceed with their lives.

The decision we make not to strike back at those who do us wrong requires that we be spiritually mature in that situation. To learn to do that is both a skill and a grace. And it takes time. Jesus tells us that we must become perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. The willingness to forgive is a sign of the Holy Spirit at work in us. Our starting to forgive as God forgives us is a sign that we are becoming like the God we love.

Forgiveness may or may not bring healing to others, but it always heals us and sets us free.

EUCCHARIST / EUCARISTÍA

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Monday-Friday..... 8:30 am (English)

1^{er} Viernes..... 7:00 pm (Español)

Sunday..... 7:15 am (English)

1^{er} Dimanche..... 10:00 am (Français)

2nd Sunday..... 5:00 pm (Tagalog)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday Vigil..... 5:00 pm (English)

Sunday..... 8:45 (English + ASL) & 11:15 am (English)

Domingo..... 1:00 pm (Español)

RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACIÓN

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Thursday..... 7:00-9:00 pm (English/Español)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday..... 4:00-4:30 pm (English)

Domingo..... 2:15-3:15 pm (Español)

BAPTISM / BAUTISMO

Begin classes while pregnant or awaiting adoption. Baptisms will not be scheduled until classes have been completed (2 sessions required). Parents MUST pre-register to attend. **2017:** Jan. 14 & 21, Mar. 11 & 18, May 13 & 20, Sept. 9 & 16, Nov. 4 & 11 / Comience las clases cuando este embarazada o esperando una adopción. Los Bautizos no se podrán programar hasta que las clases hayan sido completadas (2 sesiones se requieren). Los padres TIENEN que pre-registrarse para atender. **2017:** enero 14 y 21, marzo 11 y 18, mayo 13 y 20, sept. 9 y 16, nov. 4 y 11

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Couples seeking marriage must make arrangements with a Priest or Deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date. Do not plan a reception until you have met with the Priest or Deacon. At least one party must be a member of St. Rose of Lima. / Las parejas que buscan el matrimonio deben hacer arreglos con un sacerdote o diácono con un mínimo de 6 meses antes de fijar una fecha para la boda. No planifique una recepción sino hasta que se haya reunido con el sacerdote o el diácono. Al menos una persona debe ser miembro de Sta. Rosa de Lima.

NEWCOMERS / NUEVOS MIEMBROS

Meeting - Duggan Room / Reunión - Salon Duggan

2^o Domingo..... 12:00pm (Español)

2nd Sunday..... 12:30pm (English)

OTHER SERVICES / OTROS SERVICIOS

Stephen Ministry

Ralph Bally, 301-873-0487 / Zita Tepie, 301-519-1527

Accessibility / Fácil Acceso: Hearing systems, accessible seating, large print worship guides and ASL interpretation are available. / Aparatos amplificadores de sonido y asientos accesibles están disponibles.

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time / 8^o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Cycle A - Feb. 25/26, 2017

Historic Chapel:

Sun., 7:15 am Fr. Quinn Conners

Church:

Sat., 5:00 pm

Fr. Agustin Mateo

Sun., 8:45 am

Fr. Quinn Conners

Sun., 11:15 am

Fr. Justin Huber

Sun., 1:00 pm

Fr. Agustin Mateo
(español)

Scriptures:

Isaiah 49:14-15

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Matthew 6:24-34

Liturgical Ministers:

Team A

Bread Bakers:

Group 4

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

† Deceased * Living

Mon., 2/20	8:30am	HC *	John Jakiun & Bankers Life & Casualty Family, by D.G. Dial
Tue., 2/21	8:30am	HC †	Lydia Camomot, by Vilma Witten
Wed., 2/22	8:30am	HC †	Victorine M/Rubambo, by Honorate Cigangu
Thu., 2/23	8:30am	HC †	Miguel René Serrate Castedo, by Marlene Serrate Vargas & Family
Fri., 2/24	8:30am	HC †	Teresa Haguin, by Gabriela Prudencio
Sat., 2/25	5:00pm	CH	Thanks to Infant Jesus, by Marlene O. Prepetit
Sun., 2/26	7:15am	HC †	Chee Yat Young
Sun., 2/26	8:45am	CH †	Jonathan Emrick, by the Dembroski Family
Sun., 2/26	11:15am	CH †	Robert C. Placious, by the O.W.L.S.
Sun., 2/26	1:00pm	CH †	Tomás Pagán, Rosa Vega & Jose Emilio Motta, by Rosa Motta

PLEASE PRAY FOR / POR FAVOR RECE POR...

Those who are sick / Aquellos quienes están enfermos:

Thelma Abad, Cynthia Alexander, Carlos Almendariz, David Balzer, Donna Beehler, Joan Berado, Adolfo Carranza, Steven Day, Leonard Deh, David Dennis, Veronica Espinosa, Raina Evans, Erina Fonseca, Antonella Giuliano, William Greene, Joaquin Gutierrez, Johnny Hashempour, Violeta Hernandez, Kenneth Homon, J.J. Jeffrey, Rosalie Johnson, Michael Johnston, Larry Jonas, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Teresa Linares, Lorenzo Lozano, Yanira Mancía, Linda Markle, Yadira Martinez, Josie Matteredo, Jose Meza, Rosa Motta, Mauricio Narvaez, Edison Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Susan Parrott, Iris Angelita Portilla Castillo, Mary Rhoads, Maria Paz Rodriguez, Betsy Rogers, Susan Saidman, Gaby Santacruz, Gloria Sarceno, Patricia Sattalo, Kathleen Schrantz, Joseph Seppy, Charlotte Sorrells, David Trujillo, Carla Vargas, Daniel Villavicencio, Kathy Wessman, and Paula Wilson.

Those who have died / Aquellos que han fallecido:

Neville Emmanuel, brother-in-law of Zita Tepie

Anna Mae McNamara, mother of Bill McNamara



WORSHIP / ADORACIÓN

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Next week, we will celebrate one of the RCIA Rites - The Rite of Acceptance. What happens before celebrating this Rite?

Prior to beginning the RCIA process, an individual comes to some knowledge of Jesus Christ, considers his or her relationship with Jesus Christ, and is usually attracted in some way to the Catholic Church. This period is known as the Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate. For some, this process involves a long period of searching; for others, a shorter time. Often, contact with people of faith and a personal faith experience lead people to inquire about the Catholic Church. After this period of inquiry, the person, known as an "inquirer," may seek acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, through the Rite of Acceptance. During this Rite, the inquirer stands amidst the parish community and states that he or she wants to become a baptized member of the Catholic Church. The parish assembly affirms this desire and the inquirer becomes a Catechumen (if they are unbaptized) or a Candidate (if they are coming from another faith tradition).

Calling All Lectors: Formation THIS Tuesday!

There will be a lector formation for ALL lectors on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 7:00-8:30pm, in the Duggan Room. Please make every effort to attend.

From Palms to Ashes...

Through Sun., Feb. 26, you may bring in last year's blessed palm branches and place them in the specially marked baskets (located in the Church Foyer and the back of the Historic Chapel). They will be burned for use at our Ash Wednesday services on March 1.



Ash Wednesday is March 1

Mass with Imposition of Ashes: 8:30am & 7:30pm; Liturgy of the Word with Imposition of Ashes: 12:15pm & 5:00pm. Liturgical Ministers are needed. Sign-up sheets for Ash Wednesday liturgies are posted by the ministry sign-in table in the Church.

NEEDED: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Help is need at the following Masses: 5:00pm, 8:45am and 11:15am. Join a team and serve once every 3 weeks. CONTACT: Mike Ballentine, mike_ballentine_1@msn.com (note underscores in email), 301-528-5801

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

We are updating our list of homebound parishioners, so that our priests can visit them periodically. If you regularly bring the Eucharist to someone at home, please send information to Fr. Justin, FatherJustin@strose.com: ► Your contact information ► Name, address, email & phone # of homebound person ► Best day & time to visit ► Any special needs

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

Stay in the Loop:

Receive Parish Notices via Flocknote

Want to receive cell phone or email notifications from St. Rose regarding events having impact to the parish or weather closure announcements? The parish has been testing Flocknote and will use it for parish and ministry notification. FLOCKNOTE INFO & SIGN UP: <http://www.strose-parish.org/flocknote>

Sunday Hospitality Is Back!

Join the New Team!

Our new Sunday Hospitality Ministry is resuming Coffee and Donuts on Sundays after the 8:45am and 11:15am Masses, but your help is needed! Any person, family or ministry group interested in assisting with the set up and selling of refreshments is encouraged and welcome to join the team! INFO & SUGGESTIONS: Gabriela Philippon, gabilichoy@comcast.net

Mark Your Calendars:

Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tues., Feb. 28, 5:00-7:30pm. Our Knights of Columbus are again hosting this annual event! Come and enjoy pancakes, syrup, sausage and fellowship on Fat Tuesday! All are welcome. Suggested Donation: \$6/person or \$20/family.



Are You Suffering After an Abortion?

Project Rachel Ministry, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington, is hosting support groups for women who have feelings of shame, guilt, sadness and other difficult emotions over their abortion experience. The support groups are forming in various locations. INFO: Julia Shelava, 301-853-4565; ProjectRachel@adw.org. All inquiries are confidential.

Calling All Engaged & Newly Married Couples!

Join in a monthly night out! The next event is on Feb. 25, in Bethesda: Free Wine & Cheese is at 6:00pm, followed by a Relationship Talk & Discussion at 6:30pm. Afterwards, continue your date on your own! RSVP: DCCatholic.eventbrite.com

Celebrate Black History Month

FREE! This Sun., Feb. 19, 3:00pm, at St. Matthew's Cathedral, 1725 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Wash., DC 20036. Msgr. Ray East will present a lecture on the lives of four African-Americans now being considered for Sainthood: Venerable Mother Mary Lange, Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton, and Venerable Mother Henriette Delille. The *Say Yes Acapella Group* of St. Teresa of Avila Parish will perform! Refreshments to follow. INFO: Lydia Clegg, clegg_1carroll@comcast.net; Patricia Boehme, patriciaboehme@yahoo.com

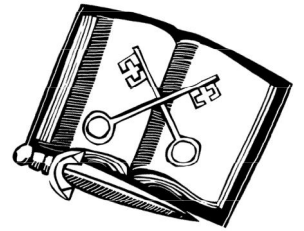
EDUCATION / EDUCACIÓN

Thomas Merton Study: *Bridges to Contemplative Living*

Sundays, 10:00-11:00am, Church Parlor. Are you... Curious about Thomas Merton? Looking for a Lenten spiritual activity that doesn't require preparation? Join this small group to study Thomas Merton using the *Bridges to Contemplative Living* series of short readings. During Lent, the group uses the booklet on Lenten themes. Through contemplative dialogue, reflect on personal experiences related to the themes of the readings, discuss how they relate to your life today, and contemplate how to apply them in daily living. Drop-ins welcome! INFO: Lurline Peeler, lurlinep@verizon.net; Jim Vidas, javajimv@gmail.com.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Tuesdays, beginning in late February. Facilitated by Fr. Justin Huber, this series is by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer. For full session schedule and to register, please visit our website.



Untold Blessings - Three Paths to Holiness

Bishop Robert Barron paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus Christ. He lays out three intriguing paths to holiness: 1. Finding the Center 2. Knowing You're A Sinner 3. Realizing Your Life is Not About You. Join us on Fridays, 9:15-10:45am. INFO & REGISTRATION: Visit our website.

Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

Wednesdays (Feb. 1 - Apr. 26; not Mar. 1), 7:00-9:00pm, St. Joseph Room. Join this 12 week video series as Bishop Barron takes viewers on a journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people. INFO & REGISTRATION: www.strose-parish.org

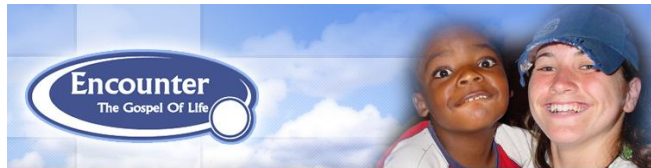
Morning of Reflection: Great Polish Saints

Sat., Feb. 25, 9:15-11:30am, St. Peter's Church, 2900 Olney-Sandy Spring Rd., Olney. Offered by the Mother Teresa Vocation Society (MTVS) of the Archdiocese of Washington, this FREE event features a talk by Fr. Pawel Sass. Preceded by Mass at 8:30am, the morning includes light refreshments, Fr. Sass' talk, adoration and confession. MTVS INFO: www.DCPriest.org; Maris Moriarty, 202-636-9020 or moriarty@adw.org. MTVS prayerfully supports vocations to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Washington.

"For a Surge in Prayer"

Presented by the members of the Secular Carmelite Community in Frederick, this six session course is designed to help you encounter our Risen Lord through the Gospel, the Catechism, Prayer of Recollection, and the teachings of St. Teresa of Avila. SESSIONS: Saint Patrick's Catholic Church, 4101 Norbeck Rd., Rockville, 7:00-9:00pm, Wed., Mar. 8 & 15; Thurs., Mar. 23; Wed., Mar. 29; Wed., Apr. 5 & 12. COST: \$15, for course materials. INFO & REGISTRATION: Melanie Baker, Director of Adult Faith Formation, 301-924-2285 x317 or stpatrickadultfaithformation@gmail.com

SERVICE / SERVICIO



Encounter the Gospel of Life:

REGISTRATION OPENS on Sun., Feb. 26 at 8:00pm

July 9-14, 2017. Rising 9th-12th grade students are invited to join St. Rose of Lima Youth Ministries for this week-long service camp based at the University of Maryland. *St. Rose spots at Encounter are limited and fill very quickly!* REGISTRATION INFO: www.strose-parish.org/encounter-2017



Habitat for Humanity Build Days

If you have done this in that past or are intrigued by the idea of helping to build a home for Habitat, let us know! There are several build days coming up. St. Rose would like to send a team of 15 people to help out. INFO: Sherry Moitoza, Director of Social Concerns, smoitoza@strose.com

Welcome Home Kit Collection

Feb. 25/26, before and after Masses. When a homeless individual or family receives permanent housing through Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless, many basic items are needed to begin life in a new home. Our Outreach Committee is asking for donations for three Welcome Home Kits. Please consider donating needed items, listed in Sign Up Genius. Visit our website for the link to Sign Up Genius: www.strose-parish.org. INFO: Regina McCutcheon, saintroseoutreach@gmail.com



Intergenerational Lenten Service Project

Sun., Mar. 19, 4:00-6:00pm, Woodlands Room. Back by popular demand! Join us in assembling Cup of Joe Meal Kits for the DC Shelters. These meal kits are provided to eight different homeless shelters within the Catholic Charities network. Mark your calendar today and invite friends and family to join you in this Lenten service opportunity! INFO: Sherry Moitoza, smoitoza@strose.com

Help Women in Crisis Pregnancies

The Gabriel Project assists women in crisis pregnancies, providing prayer support and practical items, i.e. new or gently used clothes (infants - teens), diaper bags, and receiving blankets. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. E-mail and daily prayer support is needed. INFO: Natalie Ray, natalieanneray@gmail.com or 240-374-3297; Regina McCutcheon, rjmccutch@yahoo.com

STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD

La Campaña del Cardenal de 2017

El tema de la Campaña es, "Busquen Primero el Reino de Dios". La Campaña del Cardenal no solo financia el funcionamiento de la arquidiócesis sino que también contribuye con fondos para servicios que son de gran ayuda para los ministerios de nuestra parroquia. Tengan a bien comprometerse con una contribución generosa para la Campaña del Cardenal de 2017. ¡Gracias!

2017 Cardinal's Appeal

The theme of the Appeal is, "Seek First the Kingdom of God." The Cardinal's Appeal not only funds the operations of the Archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. Please consider a generous pledge to the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal. Thank you!

Special Collection: Church in the Developing World

Next weekend, Feb. 25/26, this collection is being taken up to help to meet basic pastoral, educational and infrastructure needs of the Church in Latin America, Africa, and Eastern Europe. Donations may be placed in the specially marked Poor Boxes. Please be generous according to your means.

TIME & TALENT SALUTE

Richard Pedersen

Every week, Richard comes in to the Parish Offices to prepare the music books for our Cantors and Accompanists. He makes copies of the correct pieces of music for Mass, and places them in the correct order in the books - a humble but essential task! Richard also serves as a Cantor at the 7:15am Mass.

TREASURE REPORT

February 4 - 10, 2017

Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory.....	\$25,679
Mortgage Reduction.....	\$3,223
Capital Campaign	\$3,055
Direct Debit Capital Campaign	\$225
Gift Certificate Profit	\$220

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box.....	\$1,284
Action in Montgomery (AIM).....	\$500

Financial Fact

As of 2/12/17, your generous donations towards the Gathering Space Interior total \$128,541. These funds will help pay for interior finishes that are not covered by Capital Campaign funds slated for the construction of the Gathering Space. If you haven't yet donated towards this effort, please consider doing so.

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BULLETIN / CALENDAR / ROOM RESERVATIONS

Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!

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WOODLANDS ROOM RENTAL EVENTS / EVENTOS DE ALQUILER

Quinceañeras, Wedding Receptions, Birthday Parties & More!

Maria Cristina Peano..... woodlands@strose.com

MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - GR. K-8

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CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | ORDINARY TIME 7

Cardinal's Appeal Follow Up Weekend

10:00 am Thomas Merton: Bridges to Contemplative Living (PAR)

2:00 pm YM House Band Rehearsal (YC)

2:00 pm Grupo de Jóvenes (BR)

2:00 pm Ministros de la Eucaristía (LR)

2:15 pm Confessions/Confesiones (CHRR)

2:30 pm Formación de Ujieres (STJ)

3:00 pm Legion of Mary - English (PAR)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20 | PRESIDENTS' DAY

Parish Offices Closed

No Events Scheduled

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:00 pm Lector Formation: Teams A, B & C (DGN)

7:45 pm Entrenamiento: V Encuentro (STJ)

7:45 pm Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible (STP)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

10:00 am Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting Ministry (STP)

6:30 pm High School MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)

7:00 pm Bishop Barron Series: Catholicism - Pivotal Players (STJ)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00 pm (HC)

7:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones (HCRR)

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

7:00 pm Taller de Oración y Vida (STJ)

7:30 pm RCIA Precatechumenate (STP)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:15 am Bishop Barron Series: Untold Blessings (DGN1)

10:00 am Parish Playgroup (OLCC)

6:00 pm Taller: RICA (PAR)

6:30 pm Reflection for Rite of Acceptance (BR/LR)

6:30 pm Accommodating Hearts: Young Adult Dance (PCW)

7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (DGN/STJ/OLCC)

7:30 pm Legión de María (JE)

7:30 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Práctica (KD)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Special Collection: Church in the Developing World

8:00 am Legión de María (JE)

8:00 am Church Cleaning Ministry (CH/CF)

9:30 am Day of the African Child Planning Team (STP)

10:00 am First Communion Family Session 1 (PCW/CH/DGN/STJ)

4:00 pm Confessions (CHRR)

