

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

PARROQUIA SANTA ROSA DE LIMA

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PRAY... GROW... SERVE / ORAR... CRECER... SERVIR

EUCCHARIST / EUCARISTIA

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Monday-Friday ----- 8:30 am----- (English)
1er Viernes ----- 7:00 pm----- (Español)
Sunday ----- 7:30 am----- (English)
1er Dimanche ----- 10:00 am----- (Français)
2nd Sunday ----- 5:00 pm----- (Tagalog)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm----- (English)
Sunday ----- 9:00 am----- (English + ASL)
11:00 am----- (English)
Domingo ----- 1:00 pm----- (Español)

RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACION

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Thursday* ----- 7:00-9:00 pm---- (English/Español)
*No confessions on Thursdays during Lent.

Church / Iglesia

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:30 pm----- (English)
Domingo ----- 2:15-3:15 pm----- (Español)

NEWCOMERS / NUEVOS MIEMBROS

Meeting - Duggan Room / Reunión - Salón Duggan

2o Domingo ----- 12:00 pm----- (Español)
2nd Sunday ----- 12:15 pm----- (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.

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. CLASS DATES: **2018:** Jan. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May 12 & 19, Sept. 15 & 22, Nov. 10 & 17

Comience las clases cuando este embarazada o esperando una adopción. Los Bautizos no se podrán programar hasta que las clases hayan sido completadas (Se requieren 2 sesiones). Los padres TIENEN que pre-registrarse para atender. FECHAS DE CLASES: **2018:** Ene. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May. 12 & 19, Sep. 15 & 22, Nov. 10 & 17

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.

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.

MARCH 25, 2018

PALM SUNDAY



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Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!
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MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - Grades PreK-8
Michael Friel, Principal-----301-869-0940
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PLAN AHEAD FOR EASTER SUNDAY!

- **PARK & RIDE AT BOWL AMERICA!** Avoid the very crowded parking lot and traffic at the parish! Park at Bowl America on Clopper Road (*use right side of parking lot only*) and take the FREE SHUTTLE BUS to and from St. Rose.
- **ARRIVE EARLY!** Parking and seating get completely filled! *This is especially important for liturgical and music ministers who are serving at Easter Masses!* Allow a few extra minutes if you are using the offsite parking and shuttle bus.

WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR

Today, we are celebrating Holy Week, a three day mini-retreat, and we do not want to miss any of it. It is the high feast days of our Church that invite us to enter into the passion, the suffering, death and Resurrection of our Lord. It is not an easy invitation to accept. We shun the cross, the sign of suffering, pain and death. We turn our face away from that shameful way to die and we wonder: Why the cross?

Wasn't there any easier way? Maybe Jesus could have avoided that death. He could have gone into hiding. He could have given in and told those in charge that they misunderstood Him. He could have been silent and just ignored their charges. The authorities would have welcomed a chance to ignore Him. But Jesus would not allow it. No, Jesus freely and lovingly takes upon Himself a burden that He did not have to carry. He does so to prove to you and me that God loves us and cares for us in spite of all of our foolishness, failures and sin.

Jesus is put to death primarily because of the political issues of the day. He proclaimed a new way of living that was threatening to both the religious rulers, the Scribes and Pharisees as well as the Roman authorities. He spoke out very openly for the poor, starving and hungry people who had little to live on and no hope for their future, making life miserable and intolerable. He criticized those in authority who laid heavy burdens upon the shoulders of the feeble, the sick and the old. His hopes and dreams were to bring a freedom to all who were caught up in slavery of any kind, those who suffered injustice and prejudice, and those who were "the poor" of His day, and there were many. Jesus had no other way to go if their suffering was to be alleviated. He had come to bring everyone the fullness of life. And that is also for you and me today.

Some how and in some beautiful way we, too, are caught up into the Paschal mystery. In a sense we also go up to Jerusalem. We are called to stand firm in our faith in the face of suffering, pain and death when it is much easier, a lot safer and more comfortable to be silent, to hide or never take a stand on issues that make for a better life for all.

It takes faith, a great deal of hope and a lot of love to accept the palm branch we are holding because we know that branch leads to the tree of the cross. Down deep in our hearts we realize that for every year we take our palm branches home we are challenged once again to respond in a Christ-like way to all the suffering, poor and all those neglected in our own neighborhoods, towns and cities.

This Holy Week we are called to celebrate these three days in a special way. They will be a source of enrichment for our faith, hope and love even amidst our fear, doubt and confusion in these difficult and trying days. What we celebrate is a love story that has no end. It continues on in your life and in mine.

Hoy estamos celebrando la Semana Santa, un mini-retiro de tres días y no queremos perder nada de eso. Son los días de gran fiesta de nuestra Iglesia que nos invitan a entrar en la pasión, el sufrimiento, la muerte y la Resurrección de nuestro Señor. No es una invitación fácil de aceptar. Evitamos la cruz, el signo del sufrimiento, el dolor y la muerte. Nos alejamos de esa manera vergonzosa de morir y nos preguntamos: ¿Por qué la cruz?

¿No había alguna manera más fácil? Tal vez Jesús pudo haber evitado esa muerte. Podría haberse escondido. Pudo haber cedido y haberles dicho a los que estaban a cargo que lo habían malentendido. Pudo haber estado en silencio y simplemente ignoró sus acusaciones. Las autoridades habrían recibido la oportunidad de ignorarlo. Pero Jesús no lo permitió. No, Jesús carga libre y amorosamente sobre Sí mismo una carga que Él no tenía que cargar. Lo hace para demostrarnos a usted y a mí que Dios nos ama y se preocupa por nosotros a pesar de todas nuestras tonterías, fracasos y pecados.

Jesús es ejecutado principalmente por los problemas políticos del día. Proclamó una nueva forma de vida que amenazaba tanto a los gobernantes religiosos, a los escribas y fariseos como a las autoridades romanas. Habló abiertamente por los pobres, hambrientos y hambrientos que tenían poco para vivir y sin esperanza para su futuro, haciendo la vida miserable e intolerable. Criticó a aquellos con autoridad que imponían pesadas cargas sobre los hombros de los débiles, los enfermos y los ancianos. Sus esperanzas y sueños eran llevar la libertad a todos los que fueron atrapados en la esclavitud de cualquier tipo, los que sufrieron injusticias y prejuicios, y los que eran "los pobres" de su época, y había muchos. Jesús no tenía otra manera de ir si su sufrimiento debía ser aliviado. Él había venido para llevar a todos la plenitud de la vida. Y eso también es para ti y para mí hoy.

De alguna manera y de alguna manera hermosa, nosotros también estamos atrapados en el misterio pascual. En cierto sentido, también subimos a Jerusalén. Estamos llamados a mantenernos firmes en nuestra fe frente al sufrimiento, el dolor y la muerte cuando es mucho más fácil, más seguro y más cómodo estar en silencio, escondernos o nunca tomar una posición sobre cuestiones que mejoran nuestra vida para todas.

Se necesita mucha fe, mucha esperanza y mucho amor para aceptar la rama de palma que tenemos porque sabemos que esa rama lleva al árbol de la cruz. En lo más profundo de nuestros corazones nos damos cuenta de que cada año que llevamos nuestras ramas de palma a casa, tenemos el desafío una vez más de responder de una manera similar a Cristo a todos los que sufren, a los pobres y a todos los descuidados en nuestros propios barrios, pueblos y ciudades.

Esta Semana Santa estamos llamados a celebrar estos tres días de una manera especial. Serán una fuente de enriquecimiento para nuestra fe, esperanza y amor incluso en medio de nuestro miedo, duda y confusión en estos días difíciles y difíciles. Lo que celebramos es una historia de amor que no tiene fin. Continúa en tu vida y en la mía.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, MARCH 26

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (BR2/STP/STJ/DGN2)

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

9:00 am Worship Guide Assembly - Team A (PCF)

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

7:00 pm Ensayo: Pasión del Señor (PCW)

THURSDAY, MARCH 29 | HOLY THURSDAY

8:30 am Morning Prayer (HC)

7:30 pm Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper (CH)

Includes Washing of Feet

Adoration following Mass until 11:00pm (HC)

FRIDAY, MARCH 30 | GOOD FRIDAY

8:30 am Morning Prayer (HC)

10:00 am Family Stations of the Cross (CH)

3:00 pm Way of the Cross (CH)

6:00 pm Via Crucis en Vivo (PCW)

7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion w/
Veneration of the Cross & Communion (CH)

7:30 pm Celebración de la Pasión del Señor con
Veneración de la Cruz y Comunión (PCW)

SATURDAY, MARCH 31 | HOLY SATURDAY

10:00 am Bilingual Morning Prayer w/
Blessing of Easter Food (HC)

7:30 pm Bilingual Easter Vigil Mass (CH)

SUNDAY, APRIL 1 | EASTER

7:30 am Mass (CH)

9:00 am Mass (CH & PCW), followed by Easter Egg Hunt

11:00 am Mass (CH & PCW), followed by Easter Egg Hunt

1:00 pm Misa (CH & PCW), seguido por
Caza de Huevos de Pascua

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

Easter Sunday / Domingo de Pascua

March 31/April 1, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 7:30 pm (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo

Sun., 7:30 am (CH) Fr. Quinn Conners

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Tony Krisak

Sun., 9:00 am (PCW) Fr. Quinn Conners

Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Justin Huber

Sun., 11:00 am (PCW) Fr. Tony Krisak

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo (español)

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Jacobo Muñoz (español)

Scriptures—Easter Vigil:

Genesis 1:1—2:2 / Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 / Exodus
14:15—15:1 / Isaiah 54:5-14 / Romans 6:3-11 / Mark 16:1-7

Scriptures—Easter Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Col. 3:1-4 / Jn. 20:1-9

Bread Bakers: Groups 2 & 3

Liturgical Ministers: Team A & Sign-Ups

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

† *Deceased* * *Living*

Mon., 3/26 8:30 am † Maria Balderrama

Tue., 3/27 8:30 am † Isabelle Smith

Wed., 3/28 8:30 am † Mary Catherine Ryan

Sun., 4/1 7:30 am † Ambrosia Franco

Sun., 4/1 9:00 am † Alba & Frank Maldarelli Sr.

9:00 am * Melissa Overmeyer

Sun., 4/1 11:00 am † Virginia Mikayambo

11:00 am † Jim O'Connor

Sun., 4/1 1:00 pm † José Angel Rojas

1:00 pm † Maria Silva



PLEASE PRAY FOR... / POR FAVOR RECE POR...

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Maria Alcivar, Cliff Arsenault, Maria Bruckner, Maddie Cabatic, Andrea Cabrera, Gamaliel Camomot, Danna Cevallos, Matteo DeAngelo; Lara Domingues, Linda Edgeman, Jose Escalante, Paul Ewing, Don Gisin, Marta Guerrero, Olga Guevara, Gregory Hanks, Paige He, Elsie Hebert, Ivan Jarpa, Carolina Kline, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Delfina López, Linda Markle, Hernan Martinez, Priscila Martinez, Josie Mattero, Mike Mattero, Erin Mauer, Kevin McCarthy, Rosalyn McCarthy, Bobbie McNairy, Virginia Mendoza, Son Nguyen, Christine Opdenaker, Paulina Orellana, Rafael Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Mimi Paylin; Bob Quinlan, Maggie Quinlan, Bunny Roncevic, Jeanette Ryba, Ovidio Sanchez, Patricia Sattalo, Fernando Servantes, Peggy Smith, Luzmila Tacuri, Jeanne Tufano, Adela Valderrama, William Valentine, Diane Vollberg, and Amy Williams.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Jeannette Mattero, mother of Rick Mattero; Javier Montenegro, friend of Alex Caldas and Katherine Minaya; and Walter Velasco, uncle of Claudia Aguirre.



WORSHIP / ADORACION

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR FAMILIES

Good Friday, March 30, 10:00am, rain or shine. Journey the Way of the Cross on parish grounds and contemplate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord. We will begin in the Church. A keepsake symbol for each station will be given out. 15 Families are needed to take turns carrying the cross. INFO: Susan Joseph, sjoseph@strose.com

LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE GUIDELINES

On Good Friday, Catholics aged 18 - 59 years observe a modified fast (guidelines allow one full meal). Catholics aged 14 and older abstain from meat every Friday during Lent.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING HOLY WEEK

On Holy Thursday (March 29), Adoration will not be held at the usual hours, but rather after the 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper until 11:00pm.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SIGN-UPS FOR TRIDUUM & EASTER

Liturgical Ministers are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil, and the additional Easter Sunday Masses at 9:00, 11:00 and 1:00 (español). Sign-up sheets are posted by the sign-in tables. Team A liturgical ministers are expected to serve at their regularly scheduled Masses!

TAIZÉ PRAYER WITH FLOWER OF CARMEL LAY CARMELITES

Wed., Apr. 4, 7:00-7:30pm, Historic Chapel. Join our Flower of Carmel Lay Carmelites for Taizé prayer, a meditation service of scripture, singing, prayers, and silence. Come rest in the quiet beauty during this simple form of contemplative prayer. INFO: Beth Fisher, ljfisher57@gmail.com

2018 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS

Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate this annual Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sun., June 17, 2018 at 2:00pm, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please submit names by Fri., April 13 to Mary Carey, mcarey@strose.com.

MISA ANNUAL DE JUBILEO MATRIMONIAL 2018

El Cardenal Wuerl estará presidiendo la misa anual para celebrar a las parejas que están conmemorando 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 o más años de matrimonio el domingo 17 de junio del 2018 a las 2:00pm, en la Basílica de la Inmaculada Concepción. Para inscribirse contacte a Mary Carey, mcarey@strose.com, antes del viernes 13 de abril.

MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Is someone you love unable to join us at church? They can tune in to Mass on TV or watch online:

PALM SUNDAY & EASTER TV MASS

WMDE Ch. 36 - 8:00am / WJAL Ch. 68 (LATV) - 9:00am

SERVICE / SERVICIO



40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

Sun., Mar. 25, 2:00-4:00pm. Please join us for a prayer vigil in front of the Wildwood Medical Center, 10401 Old Georgetown Rd. Park at Wildwood Baptist Church, 10200 Old Georgetown Rd., or on the neighborhood streets behind the medical facility. INFO: St.Rose_Respect_Life@yahoo.com

HOOPS FOR HAITI FUNDRAISER

Sat., April 14, 7:00pm, at Good Counsel High School, 17301 Old Vic Blvd., Olney. St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Derwood is having a fundraiser for their sister parish in Leon, Haiti. During Hurricane Matthew, the church's roof was blown off. This fundraiser will help to rebuild the church. This is a basketball game between old folks and young folks. COST: Students \$5, Adults \$10. INFO: Donna Zezzo, 301-840-1407

5TH ANNUAL STREAM CLEANUP IN GAITHERSBURG

Sat., April 14, 9:00-11:00am. Join our Eco-Action Team! Meet at Long Draught Branch at Rabbitt Road. Dress appropriately for wet ground and some briars. Tools for reaching litter would be useful. Other supplies will be provided. Confirmation and details will be sent out the week before the event. INFO & REGISTRATION: Pat Cuff, pmcuff@aol.com

¡PLANEÉ CON ANTICIPACIÓN PARA EL DOMINGO DE PASCUA!

- **¡APARCAMIENTO EN BOWL AMERICA!**
Evite el tráfico en la parroquia y la congestión del estacionamiento. Estacione su auto en Bowl America (use solamente el lado derecho del estacionamiento) y tome EL AUTOBÚS GRATUITO a y desde Sta. Rosa.
- **¡LLEGUE TEMPRANO!** Los asientos y el estacionamiento se llenan por completo. *¡Esto es especialmente importante para los ministros litúrgicos y de música que estarán sirviendo en las Misas de Pascua!* Dese unos minutos extras si va a usar el estacionamiento en Bowl America y el servicio de autobús.

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Love Joy Peace Patience Kindness
Generosity Faithfulness Gentleness Self-Control

On Easter Sunday, there are always lots of visitors at St. Rose. This presents a wonderful opportunity to warmly welcome people who are seeking to return to God and the Catholic Church! As parishioners, we remember that every encounter and interaction we have with our visitors—from the moment they enter our parking lot to the moment they drive away—can encourage or hinder them in finding a spiritual home in our parish community. Let the fruits of the Holy Spirit be what they see in all of us!

OWLS POTLUCK LUNCHEON & PRESENTATION:

HELPFUL INFORMATION TO PROTECT SENIORS

Tues., April 10, 12:00pm, Duggan Room. Join the Older, Wiser, Loving, Seniors (O.W.L.S.) for a potluck luncheon, followed by a presentation by attorney Alexia Kent McClure. From real life stories, she will shed light on how to avoid directly or indirectly becoming a victim of fraud, circumstances, or those who seek to take advantage of others. Bring a dish to share. Friends are welcome. RSVP: Linda LeBlanc, stroseowls@gmail.com or 301-963-1269

THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC: OUR COMMUNITY, OUR CONCERN



ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

Monday
April 23
6:30PM

Where: St. Rose of Lima
Woodlands Room

Join us for an open discussion around the opioid epidemic affecting so many families in our area. The panel will discuss prevention, addiction, recovery, and support to connect attendees to resources and give them hope that recovery is possible. Speakers will include parents, law enforcement, treatment and recovery specialists, those in recovery, and those who have lost a family member to addiction.

INFO: [Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com](mailto:cjeffrey@strose.com)
catholiccharitiesadw17@gmail.com

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

Email your questions to:
fatherjustin@strose.com



QUESTION: What is the significance of the palms on Palm Sunday?

ANSWER: In the days leading up to his passion and death, there are many pivotal events in Jesus's life – most of which surround the city of Jerusalem. One of the most memorable events, which is commemorated at the Masses on Palm Sunday, is his triumphal entrance into Jerusalem. The Gospels (Mt 21:1-11, Mk 11:1-11, Lk 19:28-44, Jn 12:12-19) speak of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. These narratives also describe how garments were placed on the back of the donkey before Jesus sits on the animal. In like manner, we hear that the multitude placed garments and branches on the road upon which the donkey walked.

All of these actions serve to emphasize the great respect and hope that the gathered multitude of people directed toward Jesus. By placing garments on the back of the animal, they made it more comfortable for Jesus to sit upon the animal's back – like a modern-day saddle. As they place garments and branches on the road, they do something similar for the animal: making it more comfortable to walk. It is very much akin to our modern-day practice of "rolling out the red carpet" for an important person. As they say, "It's the little things that count."

The fact that palm branches were placed on the road is also significant. Plants often provide rich symbolism to the biblical narratives. Often branches of certain plants symbolize victory. St. Paul speaks of runners in a race to compete for a crown that withers and fades (1 Cor 9:25). He is alluding to the pre-Christian practice of awarding a crown made of laurel leaves (bay leaves) to the winner of a race. The laurel branches symbolized victory – an association carried over by our current expressions *baccalaureate* and poet *laureate*. In like manner, the palm is also used as a symbol of victory and life (Ps 91:13). Indeed, when one sees martyrs depicted in art, they are usually shown holding a palm branch. On Palm Sunday, we roll out the red carpet for Jesus, remembering that by his death and resurrection he offers us a way to experience victory over sin in our daily lives.



EDUCATION / EDUCACION

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS FOR EASTER

To reserve your copy of this seasonal reflection booklet, please send an email to cjeffrey@strose.com, with "White Easter Book" in the subject line of the email.

BOOK DISCUSSION: THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Join our Flower of Carmel Lay Carmelites for a three-session discussion of this book starting on Wed., Apr. 4, 7:45pm, in Duggan Room 1 (following Taizé Prayer in the Historic Chapel). This book by Fr. Salvatore Scieurba OCD is a primer on the wonderful practices of everyday spirituality, offering a new translation of Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection's writings. INFO: <https://flowerofcarmellcc.weebly.com>; Nancy, 301-258-2958; flowerofcarmellcc@gmail.com.

ST. ROSE SUMMER CAMP: SHIPWRECKED - RESCUED BY JESUS!

July 23-27, 9:00am-12:00pm. COST: \$50/camper. Includes snack, daily craft and CD of camp music! Discount for volunteering for the week! REGISTRATION: <https://strose-parish.org/> INFO: strosesummercamp@gmail.com

BIBLE CAMP DIRECTOR NEEDED:

SHADOW THIS SUMMER (2018) & LEAD NEXT SUMMER (2019)

Our St. Rose Bible Camp runs each summer for one week, Mon.-Fri., 9:00am-12:00pm. A new director is needed to shadow this year and lead the camp in 2019. Resources and training are provided. A stipend is offered. Want to learn more? Please contact Susan Joseph at sjoseph@strose.com.

PRE-K LITTLE LAMBS CLASS (AGE 4)

St. Rose would like to bring back a preschool class! Using the Little Lambs curriculum, THREE adults are needed to co-lead this small group effort. Monthly classes will take place during the Sunday Family Formation sessions (4:00-6:00pm). If you are interested in serving or simply want to learn more, please contact Susan Joseph at sjoseph@strose.com.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? NEED SACRAMENTS?

Come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, 240-454-5312 or cjeffrey@strose.com

HS JUNIORS & SENIORS: LIGHT THE WORLD! SUMMER INSTITUTE

June 24-30 or July 8-14, Cath. Univ., 620 Michigan Ave. NE, Wash., DC. Rising high school juniors and seniors are invited to join in this week-long Catholic college experience and explore how our faith is lived within the fields and careers of Art, Science, Sport, Business, and Politics. COST: \$300 + \$50 Application Fee. INFO & APPLICATION: lighttheworldcua.org



STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD

PLANNING YOUR EASTER FEAST?

If you don't normally participate in our Food Certificate Program, consider trying it out now! Make it part of your Lenten almsgiving by purchasing an extra grocery card for a needy individual or family, or donating it back to the parish for St. Martin's Food Pantry. Purchase grocery cards (Giant, Shoppers Food Warehouse and Whole Foods) from the parish at face value, then redeem them at the grocery store for the same amount. St. Rose receives a rebate, at no additional cost to you! Food Certificates are sold after Masses on Sundays and from the Parish Office during business hours.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: HOLY LAND

This archdiocesan collection will be taken up on Good Friday at our Celebration of the Lord's Passion. It aids the ministry of the Holy Land Franciscans, who for 800 years have nourished Christians in the Holy Land with presence, care, and service. Your support helps the Church to minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines in the land where our faith was born. Please be generous as you are able.

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

TREASURE / TESORO Mar. 10 - 16, 2018

Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory	\$24,712
Direct Debit Offertory	\$31,811
Mortgage Reduction	\$1,409
Capital Campaign	\$506
Direct Debit Capital Campaign	\$225
Gift Certificate Profit	\$129

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box	\$2,826
Gaithersburg HELP	\$500
Germantown HELP	\$250

Financial Fact

We hire crossing guards to direct traffic on Sunday mornings, as well as on Saturday evenings during winter. Since July 2017, we have paid \$5,951 for this service.

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Cup of Joe Participants

Thanks to all who came and served last Sunday at the Cup of Joe Intergenerational Service Project, helping to assemble 2,000 meal kits for the homeless in DC shelters. You're efforts made a real difference!