

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)
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 5 & 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.

APRIL 15, 2018

EASTER III



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Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!
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RENTAL EVENTS / ALQUILER PARA EVENTOS

Quinceañeras, Wedding Receptions, Parties & More!
Maria Cristina Tenaglia-----woodlands@strose.com

MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - Grades PreK-8
Michael Friel, Principal-----301-869-0940
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High School Spring Overnight Retreat

- WHEN:** Fri., May 4, 6:00pm - Sat., May 5, 11:00am, Woodlands Room
- WHAT:** Overnight High School "Lock-In" Retreat at St. Rose!
Amazing Music, Engaging Talks, Cosmic Late Night Bowling (at Bowl America!),
Moving Prayer, Exciting Games, Small Groups, & More!
- COST:** \$40 per teen / \$20 per additional sibling. (Make checks payable to St. Rose of Lima.)
Cost includes Retreat T-Shirt, Bowling, Dinner, Late Night Snacks, and Breakfast!
- INFO & REGISTRATION:** <http://www.strose-parish.org/spring-retreat>
Permission Forms are due by Thurs., Apr. 19.

WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR

Life is filled with all kinds of challenges, changes and surprises. We wonder what is going to happen next. We prepare our agenda, set forth our plans, mark our calendars and hopefully wait for things to go our way. But life is filled with surprises, unexpected events, joys and sorrows that color our days and change our lives. Life is a mystery! Many of our greatest hopes and dreams never become real, but thank God, most of our worries and fears never do either. God has a plan for each of us and it is filled with all kinds of unexpected events.

Those who followed the Lord and remembered Him in the breaking of the bread wondered what to expect next. Where would they go? How would they ever pick up the pieces of their lives and start over again? Suddenly Jesus walked into their lives, quietly and calmly, just as though nothing out of the ordinary had happened. "Peace be with you," He said. They could not believe their eyes. They certainly did not expect Him. "Don't be anxious or disturbed. Look at my hands and my feet. It is really I. Do you have something to eat?"

After eating with them, He began to open their minds and hearts to understand the scriptures. "Didn't you realize that the Messiah must suffer? Don't you understand that He would be put to death and then on the third day rise from the dead?" Little by little, they were able to look beyond their suffering, their loss and failure, even beyond the death of the Lord to find a new life, a new beginning, a Resurrection. Now they knew what was expected of them. They had come to a turning point in their lives, a point from which there would be no turning back. They knew the Risen Lord in their midst and now they would be witnesses, signs of His presence in the world. They would be believers - but also doers - of the words they had heard. They were transformed into a whole new way of seeing life.

As we celebrate these Easter mysteries, we, too, are to be witnesses of what we believe. If people are to believe in the Resurrection of Jesus, they must see it in our lives. We begin this good work by reminding ourselves that we are loved, that we are a forgiven people and that loving forgiveness is to be shared with all those who have hurt us or have rejected or failed to love us.

This forgiveness must begin in our homes, our places of work, our neighborhoods, and our Church. We are to be God's unexpected love in the lives of others by our care, concern, willingness to forgive and forget, and serving their needs.

On that Easter evening, the Lord of Life brought His peace to His disciples. He calmed all their fears and they knew His forgiveness. He ate with them and opened their minds and hearts to receive His love. In this Eucharistic celebration, the Risen Lord is also in our midst as we gather in His name. We share in the one bread and drink the one cup of salvation, making ourselves one in His love. We experience His peace and then we go out to bring that peace, forgiveness and love to others. We are witnesses of what we believe.

La vida está llena de todo tipo de desafíos, cambios y sorpresas. Nos preguntamos qué va a pasar después. Preparamos nuestra agenda, establecemos nuestros planes, marcamos nuestros calendarios y esperamos que las cosas sigan nuestro camino. Pero la vida está llena de sorpresas, eventos inesperados, alegrías y tristezas que colorean nuestros días y cambian nuestras vidas. ¡La vida es un misterio! Muchas de nuestras esperanzas y sueños más grandes nunca se vuelven reales, pero gracias a Dios, la mayoría de nuestras preocupaciones y miedos nunca lo hacen. Dios tiene un plan para cada uno de nosotros y está lleno de todo tipo de eventos inesperados.

Los que siguieron al Señor y lo recordaron al partir el pan se preguntaron qué esperar a continuación. ¿A dónde irían? ¿Cómo podrían retomar los pedazos de sus vidas y empezar de nuevo? De repente, Jesús entró en sus vidas, silenciosa y tranquilamente, como si nada fuera de lo común hubiera sucedido. "La paz sea contigo", dijo. No podían creer lo que veían. Ciertamente no lo esperaban. "No estés ansioso o perturbado. Mira mis manos y mis pies. Soy yo. ¿Tienes algo para comer?"

Después de comer con ellos, comenzó a abrir sus mentes y corazones para comprender las Escrituras. "¿No te diste cuenta de que el Mesías debe sufrir? ¿No entiendes que Él sería ejecutado y al tercer día resucitaría de entre los muertos?" Poco a poco, pudieron ver más allá de su sufrimiento, su pérdida y su fracaso, incluso más allá de la muerte del Señor, para encontrar una nueva vida, un nuevo comienzo, una Resurrección. Ahora sabían lo que se esperaba de ellos. Habían llegado a un punto de inflexión en sus vidas, un punto del que no habría vuelta atrás. Ellos conocían al Señor Resucitado en medio de ellos y ahora serían testigos, señales de Su presencia en el mundo. Serían creyentes pero también hacedores de las palabras que habían escuchado. Se transformaron en una forma completamente nueva de ver la vida.

Al celebrar estos misterios de Pascua, nosotros también debemos ser testigos de lo que creemos. Si las personas han de creer en la Resurrección de Jesús, deben verla en nuestras vidas. Comenzamos este buen trabajo recordándonos a nosotros mismos que somos amados, que somos personas perdonadas y que el perdón amoroso debe compartirse con todos aquellos que nos han lastimado o han rechazado o han dejado de amarnos.

Este perdón debe comenzar en nuestros hogares, nuestros lugares de trabajo, nuestros vecindarios y nuestra Iglesia. Debemos ser el amor inesperado de Dios en las vidas de los demás por nuestro cuidado, preocupación, voluntad de perdonar y olvidar, servir a sus necesidades.

En esa tarde de Pascua, el Señor de la Vida trajo Su paz a Sus discípulos. Él calmó todos sus miedos y ellos conocieron su perdón. Él comió con ellos y abrió sus mentes y corazones para recibir su amor. En esta celebración eucarística, el Señor Resucitado también está en medio de nosotros mientras nos reunimos en Su nombre. Compartimos en un solo pan y bebemos la única copa de la salvación, haciéndonos uno en Su amor. Experimentamos Su paz y luego salimos para llevar esa paz, perdón y amor a otros. Debemos ser testigos de lo que creemos.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, APRIL 16

6:30 pm Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/YC/HC)

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

6:30 pm Gr. K-6 Religious Education (CHLL)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

6:30 pm Flower of Carmel (STJ)

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

7:00 pm Catechist Training (DGN)

7:00 pm Comité Hispano (LR)

7:00 pm Liturgical Ministries Committee (BR2)

7:30 pm Pax Christi (STP)

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

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

7:00 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Practica (LR2)

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

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

7:30 pm Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

6:00 pm Grupo de Oración (DGN/STJ/OLCC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

6:30 am That Man Is You (PCW)

8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)

8:00 am FDLF: Entrenamiento de Catequistas (BR)

8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo A (HC)

9:00 am Entrenamiento: Formación de Oración (SAR)

9:30 am Lector Formation - Team A (CH)

9:30 am Spring Shape Up Day (PG)

SUNDAY, APRIL 22 | EASTER IV

9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/BR/YC)

12:00 pm R.E. Registration - New Families (PCW/LR/BR)

2:00 pm Formación: Ministros de la Eucaristía (LR)

4:30 pm CLC Choir Rehearsal (KD)

4:30 pm Adaptive R.E. First Reconciliation Service (CH)

6:00 pm TLC Choir Rehearsal (CH)

6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (YC)

6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Practica de Banda (LR1)

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

4th Sunday of Easter / 4^o Domingo de Pascua

April 21/22, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Justin Huber

Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Quinn Connors

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Quinn Connors

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

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Jacek Orzechowski (Español)

Scriptures:

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18

Bread Bakers: Group 6 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team A

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased* * *Living*

Mon., 4/16 8:30 am * Nelia Clark

Tue., 4/17 8:30 am + Virginia Willever

Wed., 4/18 8:30 am + Antonio Truyols Veny

Thur., 4/19 8:30 am + Gerard Caron

Fri., 4/20 8:30 am * Carol Schantz

Sat., 4/21 5:00 pm + Rose Greene Fagan

Sun., 4/22 7:30 am + Louis & Cornelia Domingues

Sun., 4/22 9:00 am + Richard Wessman

Sun., 4/22 11:00 am + Ugo Fiorita

Sun., 4/22 1:00 pm Thanks for Zambrano-Crespo Family

CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

Baptism + Confirmation + 1st Communion:

Rosalino Rojas Jr.

Profession of Faith + Confirmation + 1st Communion:

Xuan Sara Maria Zhang



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

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Cliff Arsenault, Michelle Balzer, Carmen Beyarano, Maddie Cabatic, Andrea Cabrera, Guadalupe Carrion, Danna Cevallos, Nelia Clark, Matteo DeAngelo; Carla Del Carpio; Daniel Downey, Paul Ewing, Ivan Jarpa, Carolina Kline, Jake Landsteiner, 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, Paulina Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Wilma Pascual, Mimi Paylin; Ana Portillo, Maggie Quinlan, Bunny Roncevic, David Rose, Jeanette Ryba, Isa Salem, Ovidio Sanchez, Patricia Sattalo, Fernando Servantes, Luzmila Tacuri, Selam Teferra, Jeanne Tufano, Diane Vollberg, and Amy Williams.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Gloria Barrezueta, friend of Lucia & Hernan Martinez; Etelvina Cadena, mother of Arturo Orellana; Angel Antonio Garcia Vanegas, relative of Maria Valencia; Ana Julia Horua de Aguilera, mother of Carolina Aguilera; Guillermo Manjarres, father of Fernando Manjarres; Anthony Palmucci; and Jingfeng Shen, mother of Sara Zhang.

WORSHIP / ADORACION

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

WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH

At the Easter Vigil there was great joy and excitement as 28 people received the sacraments after a long journey. Journeying with someone who is preparing for sacraments through the RCIA is a very powerful experience! Please prayerfully consider being a sponsor, catechist or member of the hospitality team. You'll share your faith story as the catechumen or candidate shares theirs. Resources and training are available. To learn more, contact Christine Jeffrey at cjeffrey@strose.com.

CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS WITH

OUR ADAPTIVE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS!

On Sat., April 28 at the 5:00pm Mass, 4 students will receive Confirmation and 7 will receive First Communion. Please join us in celebrating with our young friends and share with them the sense of belonging here at St. Rose.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

EMHCs are needed at all Masses. You must be Confirmed and 18+ years old. Training is provided. Serve once every three weeks. INFO: Mike Ballentine, 301-528-5801 or mike_ballentine_1@msn.com (note underscore)

WHAT IS AN APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION?

An apostolic exhortation is a letter to the Church which is a part of the Pope's teaching office. Pope Francis has recently written the Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate* (Rejoice and Be Glad) on the Call to Holiness in Today's World. In 2016, he wrote *Amoris Laetitia*, which is a post-synodal apostolic exhortation because it follows the Synods on the Family, taking up the themes of the Synods and deepening them further. Pope Francis writes: "I thought it appropriate to prepare a post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation to gather the contributions of the two recent Synods on the family, while adding other considerations as an aid to reflection, dialogue and pastoral practice, and as a help and encouragement to families in their daily commitments and challenges." Cardinal Wuerl has developed a Pastoral Plan to implement *Amoris Laetitia*, which is being handed out today.

Amoris Laetitia

<https://tinyurl.com/VaticanAmorisLaetitia>

Gaudete et Exsultate

<https://tinyurl.com/VaticanGaudete>

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

NEWCOMER'S GATHERING: A MINISTRY OF WELCOMING

Our Newcomers Gathering is a beautiful way to welcome new members to our worshiping community and share the spirit of our St. Rose Parish community. Each month, we are blessed to welcome 20-30 people. The Newcomer's team is seeking new team members to join them in this rewarding ministry. This is a wonderful opportunity for individuals, couples or families. If you can share two hours on the second Sunday of each month by helping with set up and sharing hospitality with our newcomers, we would be delighted to have you join the team! INFO: Doreen Heath, dheathcliff@gmail.com NOTE: There will be no Newcomer's Gathering in May (2nd Sunday is Mother's Day). The next Newcomer's Gathering will be held on Sunday, June 10.

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

The Archdiocese of Washington has codes of conduct adults must follow to create safe environments and protect children. Reading and following the code in all situations creates a culture of protection and keeps our children safer. To learn more about Child Protection in the Archdiocese of Washington, visit <http://www.adw.org/childprotection/>. There are links to resources, accountability, reporting, national efforts and much more.



FRANCISCAN MONASTERY HERB & PLANT SALE

Apr. 28 (9:00am-6:00pm) and Apr. 29 (8:00am-3:00pm), Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, 1400 Quincy St. NE, Wash., DC. Come for organic herbs, annuals, perennials, fruit trees, vegetables, Monastery-grown plants, food and craft vendors. Free garden tours on the hour, Saturday, 11:00am-2:00pm. Proceeds support the preservation of the historic gardens. INFO: www.fmqg.org; gardenguild@gmail.com

FALL 2018 CYO SOCCER

CYO Fall soccer registration is now open to form competitive and non-competitive teams for U10-U14 youth from these parishes: Our Lady of the Visitation, St. Mary's Barnesville, St. Paul Damascus, St. John Neumann, St. Rose of Lima, Mother Seton and Our Lady of Presentation. Assessments and practices will be held at Mary of Nazareth School in Darnestown. REGISTRATION: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/104443>. INFO: monsoccerteams@gmail.com

BOYS Assessments

Apr. 24, 4:30-6:00pm -- U12 & U14

Apr. 25, 4:30-6:00pm -- U10

May 2, 6:15-7:45pm -- U12 & U14

GIRLS Assessments

Apr. 24, 6:15-7:45pm -- U12 & U14

Apr. 25, 6:15-7:45pm -- U10

May 2, 4:30-6:00pm -- U12 & U14



THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC: OUR COMMUNITY, OUR CONCERN

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)
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SERVICE / SERVICIO



FORUM WITH COUNTY EXECUTIVE CANDIDATES

Thurs., May 3, 7:00-9:00pm, St. Jude's Catholic Church, 12701 Viers Mill Rd., Rockville. On Nov. 6, Montgomery County voters will elect a new County Executive to lead county choices on growth, taxes, transportation, public safety, and other issues affecting the lives of those who live or work in Mont. Co. The needs of our vulnerable - the medically needy, disabled, underemployed, or homeless - grow and compete for limited county resources. Hosted by Catholic Charities and the Justice and Advocacy Council, this forum will offer the seven candidates an opportunity to state their vision for meeting the needs of vulnerable county residents.

HUMAN DIGNITY & HOLINESS

"If I encounter a person sleeping outdoors on a cold night, I can view him or her as an annoyance, an idler, an obstacle in my path, a troubling sight, a problem for politicians to sort out, or even a piece of refuse cluttering a public space. Or I can respond with faith and charity, and see in this person a human being with a dignity identical to my own, a creature infinitely loved by the Father, an image of God, a brother or sister redeemed by Jesus Christ. That is what it is to be a Christian! Can holiness somehow be understood apart from this lively recognition of the dignity of each human being?"

~ Pope Francis, *Gaudete Et Exsultate*

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

Email your questions to:
fatherjustin@strose.com



QUESTION: What does it mean to pray?

ANSWER: In these Easter days, we feel the keen desire of the disciples that the Lord remain with them (Luke 24:29), a desire ultimately fulfilled in our prayer. It seems like prayer should be easy, but we may need to *learn* how to pray (Luke 11: 1-13). Or rather, we may need to *unlearn* what we mistakenly think is the way to pray.

At the heart of prayer is the fact that our relationship with God is echoed in our relationships with the people in our lives – our friends and family. At the most basic level, things that help a friendship help our relationship with God and things that harm a friendship harm our relationship with God. The most fundamental characteristic of a good friendship is time spent talking and listening. Without communication, there is no friendship. Additionally, that communication with a friend is open, honest, and deep. A good friend is one with whom we can be truly at home – i.e., where we can reveal our inner selves without fear of being rejected.

The keys to prayer are faith and fidelity. We must have faith that as we reveal ourselves to God, he will truly begin to reveal himself to us and we must have the fidelity to pray regularly – for God reveals himself only slowly, in much the same way as *knowing* someone (rather than merely knowing *about* someone) takes time. Mark out 15-30 minutes for silent prayer *each and every day*. The silence is absolutely key! The goal is to speak to God in the silence of our hearts and recognize his presence. It is fine to use an image or book to bring our attention toward God. In fact, using a text – such as the readings from the daily Mass or the writing of one of the saints – allows God to speak to us through those works. When we find our hearts stirred by the words, we stay there and rest until we decide to move on to the next words.

There is so much to say (beyond 350 words), so here a little book to get you started: [Time for God](#) by Jacques Philippe

EDUCATION / EDUCACION

ADULT FORMATION CLASS - MORALITY: THE CATHOLIC VIEW

What is the key reference point of Catholic Morality? Surprisingly, it is not primarily obedience to a collection of rules, but rather the attainment of true happiness rooted in God and human nature. We will spend several weeks examining the book, Morality: The Catholic View by Servais Pinckaers, OP. The discussion will be led by Fr. Justin Huber on Mondays (9:30-11:00am and 7:00-8:30pm), starting on April 23. Sign up on our website.

2018-2019 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION (GR. K-12)

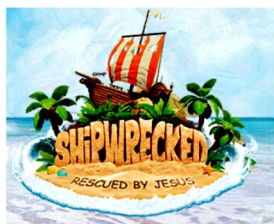
REGISTRATION: April 8 - July 27. CLASSES: September - April. Learn more about our exciting Family Formation program and the classes we offer! Visit <http://www.strose-parish.org/> under the Faith Formation tab.

► **NEW FAMILIES:** Parent(s) must attend an orientation session (choose one): 4/22, 5/6, 6/10, & 7/22, at 12:00pm, Woodlands Room (Parish Centre). Enrollment is first-come, first-served. Register early to guarantee your child's spot!

► **RETURNING FAMILIES:** Registration instructions have been emailed to previously enrolled families. (Check your spam folder!) Registration via the ParishSoft website: <https://washingtondc.paritysoftfamilysuite.com>. Classes fill quickly. Register early to guarantee your child's spot!

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.



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

CURSO MATRIMONIAL - ¿BUSCAN A DIOS EN SU MATRIMONIO?

Se trata de un curso practico, en el que se aprende a trabajar con un método de comunicación y dialogo. Seis sesiones semanales, comenzando sábado, 28 de abril, 10:00am-12:00pm. Materiales: \$30/pareja. INSCRIPCION: Adiel Siliezar, adisiliezar@msn.com o 240-899-8602; Dezi Siliezar, dezmans@msn.com o 240-899-8601.

STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD

SPRING SHAPE UP DAY

Sat., Apr. 21, 9:30am-2:30pm. (Rain Date: Sat., Apr. 28) Lots of hands are needed to



beautify our grounds and facilities! A light breakfast and hearty lunch will be served. Please bring tools and work gloves. STUDENTS: Earn SSL service credits! Get pre-approved and bring your form. SIGN UP: After Masses on April 14/15. INFO: Stan Fisher, sfisher44@verizon.net

DÍA DE LIMPIEZA PRIMAVERAL

El sábado, 21 de abril, 9:30am-2:30pm. (En caso de lluvia: el sábado, 28 de abril.) ¡Se necesita de muchas manos para embellecer las áreas verdes e instalaciones! Se servirá un desayuno ligero y un sustancioso almuerzo. Por favor traiga herramientas y guantes de trabajo. ESTUDIANTES: ¡Adquiera créditos de servicio comunitario! No se olviden de tener una pre-aprobación y traigan su forma. ANOTESE PARA AYUDAR después de la misa, 14/15 de abril. INFO: Stan Fisher, sfisher44@verizon.net

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

TREASURE / TESORO March 31 - April 6, 2018

Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory	\$21,422
Mortgage Reduction	\$1,881
Capital Campaign.....	\$527
Easter.....	\$14,756
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$50

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box	\$1,071
Action in Montgomery.....	\$500

Financial Fact

On Easter weekend, Easter donations amounted to \$14,756. (This is separate from Offertory donations received that same weekend.) Total 2017 Easter donations amounted to \$23,466, which included donations received during the entire year for that fund.

TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO

Meg Russell, Bill & Diane Smith & St. Rose Confirmandi

These parishioners led the Cup-of-Joe Service Project during Lent. With their hands-on direction, participants assembled 1,900 breakfast bags distributed through the Catholic Charities Network to homeless persons staying in shelters in the DC area.