



St. Rose of Lima Church

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First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2016



We begin this weekend the Season of Expectant Joy, this short and very beautiful Season of Advent. During the first two weeks of Advent we prepare our hearts and minds for the second coming of Christ. We are constantly reminded “That we know not the day nor the hour.” If you or I knew the day we were going to die we would certainly go to confession and make amends with those whom we might have hurt. The Season of Advent reminds us of the importance of being in a state of grace. Do try to come to confession during one of the Saturdays of Advent. We will also have many priests to help us with confessions on Tuesday, December 6th from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. The last two weeks of Advent is the time to prepare for the birthday of Christ. The challenge in today’s life is to try to keep our hearts open for this joyful season. There are so many extra chores to be done; gifts to be selected, meals to be prepared, etc. Do remember however, that on Christmas Eve the most important gift is to be able to celebrate the birth of Christ with a sense of joy and simple awe. Let’s try not to let the “To do list” ruin the meaning of the season.

Life is indeed a precious gift from God. Let’s take some time out this week to prayerfully consider the gifts God has given us and ask ourselves “Do I share my gifts generously?” Am I a living example of my faith for my family, friends, and community? Have I been to confession in the last year? Do I try to forgive those who have hurt me? It is so important that as we prepare for the Season of Christmas that our hearts too are prepared and that we strive to be as pure as humanly possible. In this week’s Gospel, Jesus reminds us that “An hour when we do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” As we know my dear friends, this could mean the second coming of Christ at the end of the world but more likely it will be our own death experience. Part of my role as your priest is to prepare the souls of the dying for eternal life. This is a beautiful process and thus the person who is gravely ill can prepare themselves for the glory the Lord wants them to share in. However, not all are able to prepare for the upcoming relationship with Christ in this way. Some people die in the unexpected be it a car crash, a drowning accident, a heart attack, or indeed a murder. The question at hand for that person is not so much the immediate nature of their death but rather have they worked at their relationship with Christ? Are they as far as humanly possible living at peace with God and their neighbor? This season of Advent is primarily a season of expectant joy. God joyfully calls us to be example givers of our Catholic Christian faith. Let’s walk hand in hand with the Lord and remember the joy the Lord has for us when our lives are completed on earth.

Be assured of my prayers for you my beloved parishioners as we experience the joy of this season of expectation and hope.

Father Owen



Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 27th First Sunday of Advent

- 7:30 People of the Parish
Leonard Sblendorio (5th Ann.), Vincent Cerrato
- 10:30 Elizabeth Giorgio, Rose Lamberti, Donato DeMartinas
- 12:15 Felix Terrero (1st Ann.), Elaine Snyder, Julia Olsen
- 7:00 Kay & Vinnie Vecchiarelli, Carmine Giovanello Jr.

Monday, November 28th Advent Weekday

- 9:00 Danuta Orlowska, Elvira DiPetrillo (13th Ann.)

Tuesday, November 29th Advent Weekday

- 9:00 Noe Ciccolini, Rosa Giacobbe

Wednesday, November 30th St. Andrew

- 9:00 August Bankey (46th Ann.), Victoria Sansone
Healing Intention

Thursday, December 1st Advent Weekday

- 9:00 Lawrence & Ruth Sanson, healing intention, Arnold Calabrese

First Friday December 2nd Advent Weekday

- 9:00 Ellen Louka, Mary Ann Lynch-Sheedy

First Saturday, December 3rd St. Francis Xavier

- 9:00 Mass Intentions to the Blessed Mother
Vigil

- 5:30 Ciccolini Family, Amoresano Family

Sunday, December 4th Second Sunday of Advent

- 7:30 William Hooper, Jennie & Rose Frucci
- 9:00 Patricia Burke, Renju Jacobs
- 10:30 Deceased Members of the Caruso & Natale Families,
Bernadino Luciano
- 12:15 Joan Simeone, Moussa S. Moussa, John Lavery (44th Ann.), John Code Gallo (15th Ann.)
- 7:00 Anthony Reynolds, Carol DiSessa

Rosary Prayer Intentions for December

Glorious Mysteries: That Catholics will keep "Christ" in Christmas this year.

Sorrowful Mysteries: For those who find Christmas overwhelming that they will call to mind the true reason for the season.

Joyful Mysteries: In thanksgiving for Fr. Owen's 25 years of priesthood and for continued blessings for him as he serves as pastor at St. Rose.

Luminous Mysteries: In gratitude to God our almighty Father for his Son Jesus.



Our Sick: Please remember in your prayers those in our parish and community who are ill, especially Adrianna Monaco, Lena Raimo, Lillian Caruso, Tom Manna, Layla Morales, Manuela Granato, Helen McHale and Al Rossi



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

For this week are offered in loving memory of:

Rafella Pecillo

From: Mr. & Mrs. Bob Leach



SANCTUARY LAMP - CHURCH

For this week are offered in loving memory of:

Rafella Pecillo

From: Eugene Ruta & Family



TABERNACLE CANDLES

For this week are offered in loving memory of:

Rafella Pecillo

From: Mr. & Mrs. Carmine Ruta



We remember and give God thanks for our beloved dead especially

Cynthia Marianino

Rocco Ruglio

Schedule for the Dec. 9:00am Sunday Mass:

Dec. 4th 9:00am Mass

Dec. 11th No 9:00am Mass

Dec. 18th 9:00am Mass

Dec. 25th No 9:00am Mass

R.C.I.A.

Meetings will be held in the church office conference room at 8:00pm on Mondays, 11/28 and 12/5. If you are an adult Catholic who has not received Holy Eucharist or Confirmation please join us. If you know anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic please tell them about our program

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Envelopes for donations towards our Christmas flowers are in the pews. Please consider making a donation in memory of a loved one. All envelopes must be in no later than December 12th.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

9th Grade: The next class night is Sunday, Dec. 18th. Students are to arrive no later than 5:30pm through the main school lobby doors. Mrs. Batanjany's class will be the leaders of prayer at the 7pm Confirmation Mass this week. Please remember that your Community Service Essays are due on this class night.

10th Grade: The next 10th grade class night is Sunday, December 4th. Students are to arrive no later than 5:30pm through the school lobby doors. Students are to attend the 7pm Mass with their Confirmation sponsor.

YOUTH CENTER

**Next Youth Group
Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 20th**

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 7th in the Church beginning with the Rosary at 7pm.
Please remember to bring a gift for the Christmas grab bag.

Free Alzheimer's NJ Education Programs in Morris County

We are pleased to inform you that Alzheimer's NJ will be offering several free and local education programs for caregivers who have a loved one with Alzheimer's disease. These programs are free and open to the public, but registration is required. For more information or to register, interested individuals can call our **Helpline at 1-888-280-6055**.

- Visiting the Person with Alzheimer's Disease will be offered on Tuesday, November 29th from 6:30-7:30pm at the Morris County Library in Whippany.
- Understanding Memory Loss will be offered on Tuesday, December 6th from 6:00-7:00pm at the Morristown Medical Center Health Pavilion in Rockaway.
- Late Stage Alzheimer's Disease: An Intensive session for Caregivers is a comprehensive 2-part series being held on Thursday, December 8th and Thursday, December 15th from 6:00-8:00pm at Morristown Medical Center Outpatient Medicine at 435 South Street in Morristown.

For a calendar of our education program offerings throughout NJ, please visit the Alzheimer's NJ web at:

<http://www.alznj.org/services/education=and-training/community-education-programs/>.

GIVING TREE



St. Rose is gearing up for our Gift Card Giving Tree Project. Gift tags will be available on the Giving Tree by the altar after all Masses on Nov. 26th and 27th. Gifts will be collected at all Masses on Dec. 3rd & 4th and 10th & 11th. Please put your gift card in an envelope marked for the Giving Tree and place it in the collection basket or bring to the parish office during office hours 9:00am – 3:00pm. The gift cards will be donated to those in need locally. If you or your family are facing a hardship and would like to receive gift cards from the Giving Tree, please contact the parish office at 973-887-5572. All information will be kept in strict confidence. The gift cards will be distributed to the families no later than Dec. 18th.



Parents Night Out is back!!

Let the St. Rose of Lima Confirmation students baby-sit your children **in our beautiful Youth Center!**

Friday night, December 16th 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Children ages 3 yrs old (potty trained) to 10 yrs old **Cost \$20 for 1 child and \$35 for 2 or more** from the same family. Our 9th and 10th graders, under the supervision of a minimum of 2 adult supervisors, will supervise your children as you enjoy a "night out on the town". Confirmation students will earn Community Service hours and **all profits** generated from the Community Service event **will go to the Youth Center**.

Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis.

If you would like to register your child for this special event, email Mrs. Liebhauser reled@saintroseoflimachurch.org or

Mrs. Politi spoliti@saintroseoflimachurch.org

Put your name, contact information and the names and ages of your children in the email. Register ASAP or no later than December 12th

To all parishioners that like to sing and are planning to be at Father Owen's Jubilee 10:30am Mass on Dec. 11th.

Please consider using this opportunity to share your God given talents to make this day extra special. For this day the adult choir can use your love of congregational singing to reinforce the sound from the loft. The music is very familiar and will only require two rehearsals in the choir loft from the following dates: Mondays, 11/28 and 12/5 from 9:30-10:45am or Wednesdays 11/30 and 12/7 from 8:00-9:15pm. Please let Diego know if you would like to join in at 908-451-1220 or diegobadilla@gmail.com



The Parish belongs to all of us, and only through the parish community can we achieve our goals. The Challenge is Ours!!!

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

November 20, 2016

Sunday Masses	\$.00
Loose Checks	\$.00
Loose Cash	\$.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$.00

FINANCIALS WILL BE PUBLISHED FOR NOV. 20TH IN THE DEC. 4TH BULLETIN.

\$13,500

Thank You

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #6504

November 28th – Admissions Degree 8pm (Candidates arrive 7:30pm)

December 4th – Christmas Tree Lighting

December 12th - Christmas Party

December 18th - Pancakes with Santa

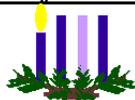
FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to your generous donations we are able to help many people that come to our Food Pantry. The pantry will now be opened on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month. **The pantry is in need of household cleaning supplies, detergent, paper towels, canned tomatoes, coffee, rice, canned fruit, snacks, crackers** The next time the food pantry will be open is Saturday, December 10th from 10:00-11:30am. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Isabella Francis at Isabellafrancis2@gmail.com.

Diocesan Christmas Concert

All are invited to join Bishop Serratelli and the faithful of the diocese for our annual Christmas Concert, "Christmas Flourish", an exciting afternoon of music for the Advent and Christmas seasons with our Diocesan Choir, Diocesan Children's Choir, along with the Gramercy Brass Quintet on Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 4:00pm at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Parsippany.

First Week of Advent: HOPE



The first Sunday of Advent, the wreath of evergreen branches is laid out, and the first candle is lit with a prayer of HOPE.

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; on those who lived in a land as dark as death a light had dawned. You have increased their joy and given them gladness; they rejoice in your presence as those who rejoice at harvest...(Isaiah 9: 1-2)

Dear God, may the blessings of Christ come upon us, brightening our way and guiding us by his truth. May Christ our savior bring light of hope into the darkness of the world. Amen

Men's Cornerstone

Cornerstone is a 24 hour experience which provides you with the opportunity to experience a sharing of faith and spiritual growth through personal talks, group sharing, prayer and the sacrament of reconciliation. Here is the date for the upcoming retreat.

Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel Men's Cornerstone Retreat will take place January 27-28, 2017

Registration will open in December, 2016

<http://ndcarmel.com/mens-cornerstone-retreat>

My Cornerstone Retreat Experience

Joe Carvagno

Back in January of this year I attended my first Cornerstone retreat at Notre Dame Church in Cedar Knolls.

I was joined by 5 other men from our parish. It was a very special experience for all of us. Although it was our first time, many of the other attendees had participated in Cornerstone retreats multiple times.

Over the course of 24 hours we ate, slept, prayed and sang together. A few of the more experienced Brothers shared stories of how the Holy Spirit touched their lives.

One of my favorite parts was getting a letter from my daughter who told me what a great role model I was for her growing up. It reinforced one or two special moments we both shared together that have created beautiful memories.

In conclusion, I am very glad I went. Cornerstone has given me 5 special friendships here at St. Rose that were strengthened by the Holy Spirit and will continue on in the years to come.

If you have never attended a retreat you will be pleasantly surprised by how strongly you are touched by this experience.

Thank you.



Congratulations to John & Margaret Friel on their wedding.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Our little scientists are at it again! We decided to gather some acorns from outside and see what would happen to them if we put them in water. First, we predicted if they would sink or float and recorded our answers. Next, we each took a chance to put in one acorn. Some of them had tops, and some of them did not. We took notice that all of the acorns floated on top of the water, even the ones without the caps. Last, we read a story titled: *Float or Sink*.

Within the next few weeks, we will be doing more experiments with sinking and floating objects. The children really seemed to enjoy testing out new objects to see what would happen. Why not try this at home and encourage your child to look for things around the house that would make this experiment more exciting!

Christmas will soon be here with talks of gifts and a visit from Santa. Mark your calendar! Santa Story hour will be on Friday, December 9th at 7 pm at the St. Rose of Lima Early Childhood Center. Come in your pajamas for a story with Santa and Mrs. Claus and a tasty treat!



ADVENT FAMILY RETREAT WEEKEND

Held at
Wisdom House Retreat Center
229 East Litchfield Rd.
Litchfield, CT

Parents, we welcome you to come with your children to an inspiring and enjoyable family retreat in preparing for the Birth of Jesus. It will take place December 16-18 beginning Friday evening and ending Sunday at 11:00am.

The cost is \$140 – ages 10 and over

\$110 – ages 2-10

Under 2 years old – no charge

The maximum cost per family is \$695. This applies to parents and minor or college age children living at home.

A non-refundable deposit of \$140 will hold a place for your family. Please bring your own towels.

Make checks payable to and send deposit and application to Star of the Sea Catholic Family Retreats

960 Route 6

Box 265

Mahopac, NY 10541

For further information contact:

Josephine Pastena at 973-701-9399 or jfsc88@yahoo.com or

Deacon John & Margaret Scarfi at 845-621-7000 or jscarfi@verizon.net.



Congratulation to Peter & Sandra Marotte on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

PARISH DIRECTORY

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PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER

In case of a **TRUE EMERGENCY**, death or funeral, after office hours, please call **973-887-5572 and press "2"** to reach Father Owen or Father Matthew immediately

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

We celebrate the sacrament of Baptism most Sundays. Parents are welcome to have the Baptism celebrated either at a week-end Mass or at the Liturgy of Baptism at 1:15. To make arrangements for Baptism please call Father Owen or Fr. Matthew. Godparents must be confirmed and be active members of the church and attend Mass regularly.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday at 8:15 – 8:45 and 4:45 – 5:15 (or by appointment with Fr. Owen or Fr. Matthew).

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact Fr. Owen or Fr. Mathew and set up an appointment. Any Catholic couple needs approximately a year to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the Priest celebrating the marriage and attendance at Pre-Cana conferences.

Sacrament of the Sick / Hospital Visits

At St. Rose we are strongly committed to the spiritual care of the sick. Because of privacy laws, hospitals and nursing homes are not allowed to release the patient's religious affiliation. Therefore, we must depend on families of our sick parishioners to inform us of their whereabouts and condition. Please notify the parish office of any need for a home or hospital visit.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for people who seek full initiation in the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, which are received at Easter Vigil. For information, please contact Fr. Owen or Fr. Matthew at the parish office.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Miraculous Medal Novena – Following 9am Mass on Saturday
Devotion to Padre Pio – Following the 9am Mass on Friday
Right to Life – Anne Marie Gillespie amgillespie@optonline.net
Secular Franciscan Order - Second Saturday after 9am Mass
First Saturday Devotion – to Our Lady of Fatima Following 9am Mass

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adult Choir – Rehearsal Mondays 9:30am or Wednesdays 8:00pm
Knights of Columbus – 2nd & 4th Monday at 8pm in Labrecque Hall
Rosary Altar Society – 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm in church
Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament – Tues. & Wed 8am – 8pm
Bereavement – 973-599-2944

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS - Our clergy and staff will be happy to assist you during the following hours: Monday – Friday 9am - 3pm

New Parishioners - We welcome those who have recently moved to the area. If you would like to be part of the St. Rose of Lima family, please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline – Please kindly submit all bulletin materials to Angela (aburns@saintroseoflimachurch.org) at the parish office, Please note that in order for articles to be published in next week's bulletin they need to be submitted **no later than 10a.m. of the prior Tuesday.**

Mass Intentions – Please come into the office or call during regular office hours.