



St. Rose of Lima Church

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The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2018



As we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany we call to mind God's invitation through the Baby Jesus to all people. Jesus came on earth to set all people free from sin. The Jewish people were the first to form a covenant with God. However, at the crib scene we see the local Jewish shepherds and the Three Kings who were Gentile (pagan). These Three Kings traveled afar and made preparations to enter a foreign land because they understood a royal king was about to be born. This royal king however, saw no boundaries and His birth brought to be a time when Greek and Jew, slave and free, could freely enter a covenant with God but the new covenant was a relationship of love, justice and peace. Through Christ, our relationship with God is never founded on fear but rather on the love we have for God and our wanting despite our human nature to rise with Christ in holiness. Life at times can be a messy business. We can meet unpleasant people, be in difficult situations, and when we do, let's consider the Three Kings in their ornate golden robes kneeling on the stable ground. They weren't worried about their clothes being soiled, their souls were pure, their intention holy. When we try to combat life's problems, difficulties and challenges, let's strive with pure hearts to bring the strong, courageous love of Christ to situations which without our trust in Christ would be impossible to deal with. As I sing the Irish Blessing for special occasions, I always consider we reach out with our human hand to the divine hand of Christ, to be led with love and courage on the path of righteousness. The Three Kings found the Baby Jesus in obscurity and they worshipped Him. We know Jesus is everywhere. May our lives be a reflection of the strength, hope and courage that is ours as Catholic Christians.

On Monday, January 8th, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. This brings to an end the Christmas Season. We will be in the Season of Ordinary Time from January 9th until Ash Wednesday, February 14th. During the Season of Ordinary Time to quote the words of St. Therese the Little Flower "We do ordinary things in an extraordinary way." By now our decorations are down and in many ways we hunker down in preparation for the snow storms, etc. This season of winter is a good time to reflect upon the beauty God has given us. The cold crisp nights give us a magnificent view of the moon and the stars. We get a sense of the incredible universe God has made for us. As I look to the night sky, especially in winter, I enjoy my night walk and feel the immensity of God's love. This love is given especially to us who are human beings made in His image and likeness. How blessed are we by the Lord and yet we certainly all have responsibilities. We need to ask ourselves – do I have a strong relationship with God? Am I ready to forgive others? Do I care for the poor, the sick, the dying? Am I attentive to my responsibilities at work, at school, with my neighbor? Yes let's enjoy the Season of Ordinary Time, this season of winter. Let us appreciate the Lord our God, our wonderful world, those we love and interact with and our own lives which are truly the gift from God that keeps on giving.

Our Antioch team is working very hard on final preparations for Antioch weekend January 13th and 14th. Please keep them and our 10th graders in prayer as they are empowered through the grace of the Holy Spirit in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

As you read this article I'm enjoying my last few days with my family in Vietnam. I fly home Friday morning and look forward to seeing everyone over the weekend of January 13th.

Father Owen



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 7th The Epiphany of the Lord

- 7:30 People of the Parish
Vecchiarello Family, Maria Musso
9:15 Pat LaBracio, Adolfo Troisi
10:30 Gabriel Sarni, Aileen-Mal Sorensen
12:15 John DiGiovachino, Mario Marrano
7:00 Andrew Palmarozza Jr., Mario Marrano

Monday, January 8th The Baptism of the Lord

- 9:00 Robert Maloney, Nancy Rafanello

Tuesday, January 9th Weekday

- 9:00 Maria Finelli (5th Ann.), Jennie Immerso

Wednesday, January 10th Weekday

- 9:00 Regina Licameli (1st Ann.)

Thursday, January 11th Weekday

- 9:00 Joann Eades

Friday January 12th Weekday

- 9:00 Irena Rybinska

Saturday, January 13th St. Hilary

- 9:00 Mass Intentions to the Blessed Mother
Vigil

- 5:30 Mario Marrano, Anthony Petrizzo

Sunday, January 14th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 Maria Musso, Manyann Munoz
9:15 John DiGiovachino, Adolfo Troisi
10:30 Taddeo Bozzone, Michael & Angela DeSantis (5th Ann.)
12:15 Lynn Orlando (2nd Ann.), Mario Marrano
7:00 Ed Junda, Dave Gourley

Rosary Prayer Intentions for January

Glorious Mysteries: For President-Elect Donald Trump and his leadership team, that they open their heart to be guided by the Holy Spirit.

Sorrowful Mysteries: We place our New Year under the care of our Blessed Mother, may she help and guide us.

Joyful Mysteries: In thanksgiving for the many families who reached out to the needy this past Christmas season.

Luminous Mysteries: For our beloved America that we with courage will mention the name of God frequently.



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, Al Rossi and Rose Valli.



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

For this week are offered in loving memory of:

Ben Ruta

From: Wife & Family



SANCTUARY LAMP - CHURCH

A reminder of the Divine Presence in the Eucharist burns this week in memory of:

Dan Califri

From: Rocco & Marietta Califri



ALTAR CANDLES

For the week are offered in loving memory of:

Rita Coakley

From: Barbara & Ken Wetzel



We remember and give God thanks for our beloved dead especially

Angelina Volpe

Domenica Cusano

Rosaria DiLanno



Epiphany Prayer

O God

Who by a star

Guided the wise men to the worship of your Son

We pray you to lead to yourself

The wise and great of every land

That unto you every knee may bow,

And every thought be brought into captivity

Through Jesus Christ our Lord

CONFIRMATION NEWS

9th Grade: The next 9th grade class night will be held on Sunday, January 7th. Please arrive no later than 5:30pm through the school lobby doors. Mrs. Mitchell's class will be the leaders of prayer at the 7:00pm Mass on this night. All other students must attend the Mass of their choice.

10th Grade: The next 10th grade event will be our 2018 Antioch Retreat on Saturday, January 13th 9am-9pm and Sunday, January 14th 9am-4pm Closing Mass.

YOUTH CENTER

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ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, February 7 at 7pm in the Church beginning with the Rosary



The 9:00am Mass Community enjoy breakfast at Fr. Matthew's house.



Fr. Owen assisted by wonderful altar servers for Midnight Mass.



Italy Pilgrimage 2018

Fr. Owen invites you to travel with him to Italy for The Diaconate Ordinations in Rome, and to visit The Shrine of Padre Pio in San Giovanni Rotundo, and other sites

September 20 - 29, 2018

Travel to Rome, San Giovanni Rotundo, Avellino, Pompeii, Naples and other beautiful and holy sites with Fr. Owen

If interested, please first contact

Great Experiences, Anne Breslin at 201.825.3725 or at anne@greatexperiencesnj.com

or Mrs. Stephanie Politi at spoliti@saintroseoflimachurch.org or at 973-599-2944

Only 40 spots available. Brochures in parish office.

Italy 2018 Informational Meeting

There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:00pm at St. Rose, Messina Hall for all those interested in learning more about a spiritual pilgrimage to Italy in September 2018 and for those who are registered to travel to Italy with Fr. Owen B. Moran; Spiritual Director, on September 20-29, 2018. Enjoy meeting your fellow pilgrims. Light refreshments will be served.

Greaterers at the Christmas Eve Mass in the Gym



Left to right: Madelin, Liana, Gianna, Colin, Gabriel and Sebastian



Congratulations to Frank as he serves us with loyalty on Town council!



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

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

December 24, 2017 - Sunday Collection	\$ <u>14,201.00</u>
December 25, 2017 – Christmas Day	\$ <u>34,412.00</u>
December 31, 2017- Sunday Collection	\$ <u>14,471.00</u>
January 1, 2018 - Solemnity of Mary	\$ <u>3,626.00</u>
Additional Christmas	\$ <u>2,492.00</u>
Diocesan Assessment	\$ <u>1,315.00</u>

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO IS SACRIFICING TO HELP US MEET OUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT. MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR LOVING HEARTS.
\$13,500

Thank You

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #6504

Happy New Year

Dues notices have been sent out in the mail. Our Financial Secretary, Bob Leach has also included in the mailing a 2018 calendar with all of our meeting dates.

- January 8th and 22nd** – Meeting nights.
- January 19th** – March for Life in Washington, DC
- February 17th** – Wives Appreciation Night

If you are interested in joining the Knights or have questions about the Knights, please call Grand Knight Joe Carvagno at 973-887-7696.

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 from 10 – 11am. **The pantry is in need of cereal low sugar like rice crispies, wipes, cleaning products, laundry detergent, paper products, pastas, canned tuna, meat, chicken and salmon, jelly, small bags of rice.**
The food pantry will open on January 13th

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Isabella Francis at Isabellafrancis2@gmail.com.



The Moran Family Celebrate New Year's Eve in Hanoi.

**Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel – Men's Cornerstone XVIII
 January 26-27, 2018
 "Take My Hand And Walk"**

Consider spending 26 hours with men like you who are searching for greater meaning in their lives and seeking a deeper, closer relationship with the Lord. Men's Cornerstone is a wonderful gift, a much needed spiritual lift from the daily routines of our lives. Journey both spiritually and socially with others who want to grow and become more life-giving, compassionate "best version of yourself".

God wants us all to thrive. Come learn how.

This might be the most rewarding investment you will ever make!

Just ask any man who has attended.

Register online at www.ndcarmel.com

For more information contact Bruce Rapp
x005412@gmail.com/973-224-0115

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Fr. Owen and his Goddaughter celebrate with the family in Hanoi for New Year's Eve.

Join St. Ann Parish on a bus trip to Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster County, PA to see "JESUS" on March 20. Cost of the trip is \$135 which includes shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village and dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. For tickets call Ginny at 973-884-1986. Deadline February 1.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

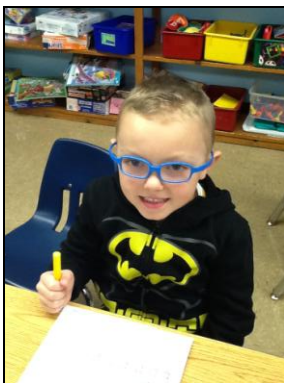
We are off to a great start this year at St. Rose of Lima Early Childhood Center! Our New Toddler Room is bursting with excitement. The children are climbing, interacting with each other, playing with all of our new toys and enjoying music and movement! If you have a toddler between the ages of 12 months and 2 ½ years old, come and take a look at all of the exciting things going on!

In our Preschool classes, the children have jumped right into learning. This week, they are discussing the New Year, science activities with magnets and learning about hibernation.

In our Pre-Kindergarten classes, the children are beginning lessons on the letters of the alphabet. Each week the children will discuss a different letter and do projects and explorations about a particular letter. This week was B week, so we discussed Bears, hibernation, biscuits, and building snowmen. The children will be doing several author studies this year and many new and awesome science experiments.

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday January 28th with the children coming to 9:15 am mass and singing a song. It is also our OPEN HOUSE from 10:30 am until 11:30 am. Why not stop by and see what all of the FUN is about!

***Registration for Next School Year 2018 – 2019 is coming up SOON!**



PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-887-5572 Fax: 973-884-0476

Website: www.saintroseoflimachurch.org

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

Fr. Owen B Moran	Pastor 973-887-5572 Ext 114	omoran@saintroseoflimachurch.org
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Mr. William Nevitt	Parish Council President		

Saint Rose Pre-School

Mrs. Lorie Agrifolio	Director of ECC	973-887-1801	lagrifolio@stroseacad.org
Mrs. Carol Freeman	Administrative Assistant (Pre-School/Pre-K)	973-887-1801	cfreeman@stroseacad.org

Faith Formation

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Fred & Gerry Vaccaro	Assistants to Religious Ed Program	973-559-2944	grfvaccaro@saintroseoflimachurch.org

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 – 6pm
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.