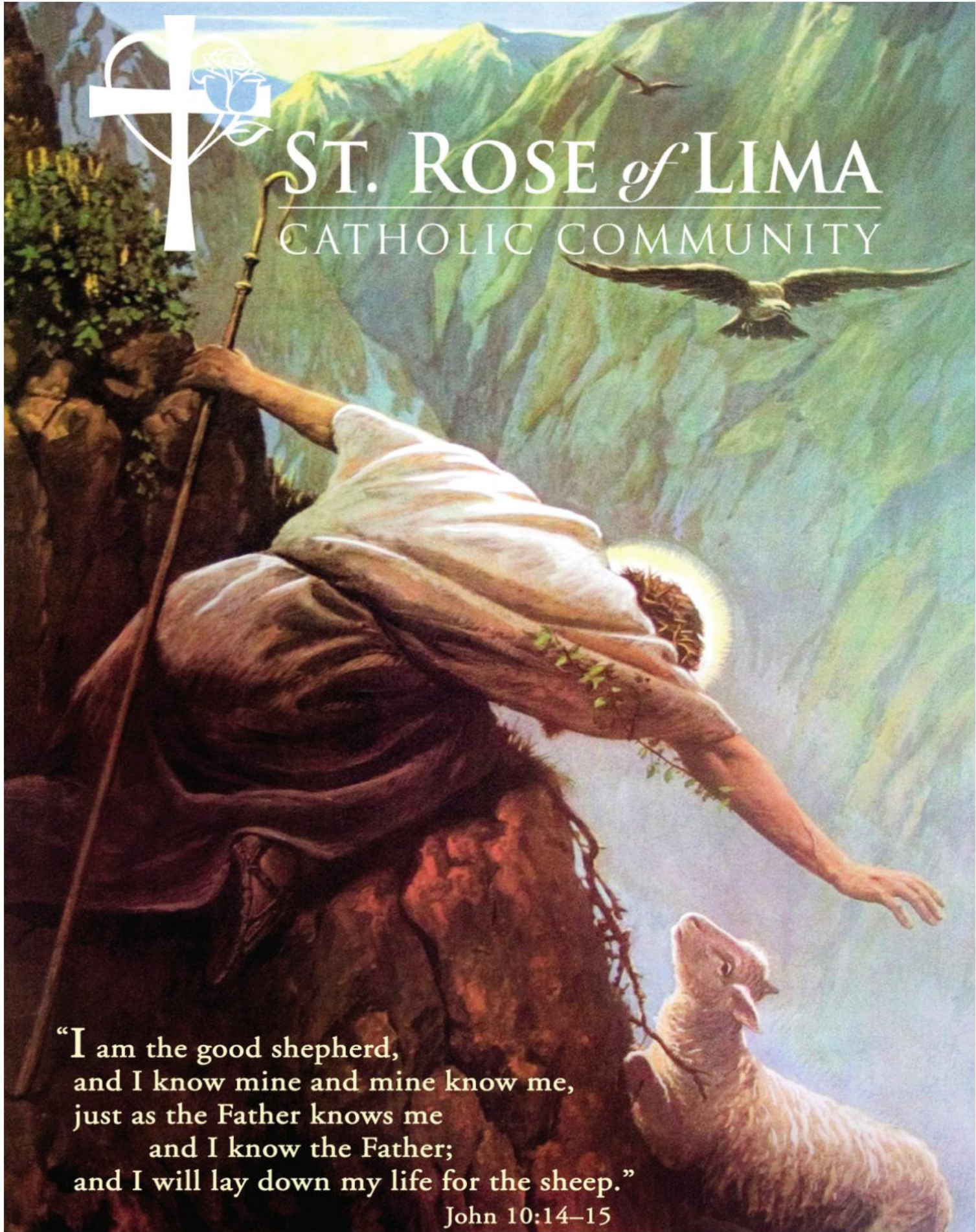




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“I am the good shepherd,
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and I will lay down my life for the sheep.”

John 10:14–15

April 21, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter




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MASS SCHEDULE

INTENTIONS

Mon Apr. 22 8:15am †Alexander Hetmaniak

Tue Apr. 23 8:15am Msgr. James Anderson (Birthday)

Wed Apr. 24 8:15am †David Glielmi

7:00pm †Rodrigo Saldana

Thurs Apr. 25 8:15am †Daniel Fike

Fri Apr 26 8:15am †Sandra & Edward Fike

Saturday Apr 27 5:00pm †Lawrence & Helen Venarske

Sunday Apr 28 8:00am Sacred Heart - In Gratitude

10:00am †Charlie E. Castro

12:00pm SRL **5:00pm** †Natalie Pavlock

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FINANCIALS

FINANCIAL REPORT

Attention Parishioners,
 Our mid-year financial report is included, as an insert, in this week's bulletin. Please note that our Church's fiscal year is not on a calendar year. Because our fiscal year begins on July 1st, this "mid-year" financial report covers July 1st to Dec 31st of 2023.
 For the first half, we were slightly over budget for both expenses and revenue. Revenue results benefited from increased Early Childhood Center revenues, but it is very important to recognize that Collections, a crucial part of our revenues, were 4% below budgeted goals. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our St. Rose community.
 Grace & Peace, Dcn Darryl

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm
 Lunes-Viernes: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

CONFESSION

Wednesday/Miércoles: 6-6:45 pm
 Thursday/Jueves: 6-6:45 pm
 Saturday/Sábado: 4-4:45pm

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

April 27, 2024: First Communion - Regular Collection
April 28, 2024: Home Missions Collection

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DSF PROGRESS TRACKER 2024

PARISH GOAL \$110,000.00
TOTAL RECEIVED \$54,873.00
LEFT TO RAISE \$55,127.00

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***VIEW THE CALENDAR ONLINE



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If you have a calendar submission, please email it to: dsaldana@stroselima.org. Please give advance notice and remember that it is your responsibility to inform the office of any changes or cancellations.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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MONDAY APR.22 Adoration 9-12
 6:30pm CCE 2ND GRADE EH, RM A, B, C, 5&6
 7:30pm PRAYER GROUP, CHPL

TUESDAY APR. 23 Adoration 9-12
 10:30 A.M. SCRIPTURE SHARING, RA
 12:30 P.M. LEGION OF MARY, RA
 6:30P.M. MEN'S ACTS, PH&CH
 7:00 P.M. BOY SCOUT TROOP 40, EH
 7:00 P.M. TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY, RC
 7:30P.M. LEGION DE MARIA, RA

WEDNESDAY APR. 24 Adoration 9-12, 6-7
 10:30 A.M. WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, RC
 6:00P.M. CONFESSION, CH

THURSDAY APR. 25 Adoration 9-7
 9:00A.M. THURSDAY CLUB, PH
 6:00P.M. CONFESSION, CH
 6:30P.M. YOUTH MINISTRY, FC
 7:00P.M. CORO DE MISA, FC

FRIDAY APR. 26 Adoration 9-12
 6:00P.M. FIRST EUCHARIST REHEARSAL, CH
 6:00P.M. GRUPO DE ORACION, RB

SATURDAY APR. 27
 10:00A.M. FIRST EUCHARIST, CH - Mass 1
 2:00P.M. FIRST EUCHARIST, CH - Mass 2
 4:00P.M. CONFESSION, CH

SUNDAY APR. 28
 9:45AM CCE PRE-K - 1st GRADE

THE GOOD SHEPHERD PART 1

Over the weeks of the Easter Season, we hear from the Acts of the Apostles about the beginning months and years of the Church. We hear of the ministry of Saint Peter and Saint John, and of the martyrdom of Saint Stephen, of the conversion of Saint Paul, and very importantly the conversion of thousands of souls giving their “yes” to Jesus.

As with the beginning of any effort, there are always struggles and difficulties. One of the difficulties the early Church faced was unity in this rapidly burgeoning community of believers. Imagine witnessing 3,000 people being baptized in one day! (Acts 2:41)

Many people were being drawn by the preaching of the Apostles, people from many different ways of life, from different places, and with their own unique histories and experiences. This led the Church to having to deal with the need to bring unity out of so much diversity. St. John addresses this unity today when he says, “*See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.*” (1 John 3:1)

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us, “*I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.*” (John 10:11)

It’s interesting how often sheep and their shepherd is found in the bible. And if you think about it, you soon come to realize that sheep are a very unified group; unity is most important to sheep; that’s why they all belong to a certain flock; they are flock animals who know their shepherd; who know his voice. “*My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.*” (John 10:27)

We may pretend otherwise, but we humans are “flock animals” too. We are most happy when we spend time together. We like to gather in groups. We have this innate longing to be with people who are like-minded; be it sports, politics, school, or hobbies; we tend to flock together.

We at St. Rose are a community that understands the importance of gathering. Flash back to the pandemic; remember how that made us feel; remember longing to come back to this place; to gather again with our fellow parishioners – with our friends. None of us want to ever experience that again.

And if you stop and think about it, our community is similar to those first Christian communities. True, we are all Catholic, and we all live in this community, but beyond that we have many differences. We are different ages, many of us grew up in different parts of the country or the world, many of us we grew up speaking different languages, some of us like baseball while some of us like football or soccer, we have widely varying political views, and I could go on and on. We certainly are not birds of the same feather, except for one really big deal: we are all followers of Jesus Christ trying to live our Catholic lives. So here we are, flocking together, as best we can.

God’s plan is for us to be together, in a place of faith like here at St. Rose of Lima.

From the very beginning the apostles knew that God wanted them to grow and to be together:

Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart...(Acts 2:46).

In worship and praise, sorrow and grief, fun and work, we Catholics are supposed to spend time together; its who we are...it’s how God made us.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD PART 2

We were not made to go it alone; we are a flock, Jesus's flock, and he created his church so we sheep could often come together, seeking guidance from our shepherd and from one another, and to be kept safe.

After the resurrection...after Easter...the apostles returned to Galilee, but Galilee would never be the same. Knowing they now lived in a post-resurrection world, the Apostles returned with a new sense of community...a new sense of what Jesus meant by community, and they set out to renew their community, knowingly following their Shepherd, concerned for one another, and concerned with growing their flock.

You and I also live in this post-resurrection world, so I invite you this Easter season on reflection of Jesus's Passion to ask yourself, "where am I at in my post resurrection Galilee...in my new Galilee?" Where am I in my St. Rose's community?"

And next I invite you to explore seeing what all is available in our community; what talents God might be calling you to bring to this flock here at St. Rose of Lima. Maybe it's time to consider joining us on our upcoming ACTS retreat or getting involved with this year's Spring Festival. Maybe you'd like to understand the bible more and would like to come and check out one of our bible study groups. Or perhaps you'd like to share your faith with others and would like to learn more about RCIA, CCE or confirmation classes for teens. Or maybe you'd just like to make another friend or two and join us at our next men's club meeting or Altar Guild meeting; whatever it may be, you'll find it in this community.

"Where are you?" we may find ourselves asking at times, and Jesus's answer is always, "Come and see...come and see!"

Peace be with You,
Deacon David



Festival T-Shirts



Festival t-shirts have arrived! You may order online or stop by the office to purchase. Buy one today before they are sold out!

St. Rose Family,

Enhance your spiritual journey by joining our St. Rose choir. Experience the joy of praising through music and strengthen our community bonds. Join us in spreading harmony and faith.

Now I realize that some of you, with great voices, are busy and may feel that joining the choir would be a consuming commitment. It doesn't have to be. You can join and sing at a particular Mass without 'being on the hook' for every Sunday. You could even alternate Mass times or alternate weekends to fit your schedule.

We are not looking for talent, but a few with a passion for worship, a praise in their heart, and a desire to do something with it.

If interested, please contact Jose Arredondo, our Music Director, at jarredondo@stroselima.org or 832-320-4109.

Thank you for your consideration and may God bless you abundantly for using the gifts that He has given you for His glory.

Yours in Christ,
Dcn Darryl



RESTORATION PROJECT

Our Stations of the Cross are truly magnificent works of art. The 14 panels, each measuring 4 ½ x 9 feet, were commissioned by the founding Pastor of St. Rose, Monsignor Paul Pieri. Specifically designed for our church which was built in 1962, the stations were hand carved in Italy where Fr. Pieri served as a military chaplain during World War II. The panels were created from linden wood, which is a soft wood that is well suited to intricate carvings such as our Stations.

As with any wooden object, care must be taken to preserve and protect the wood since it will dry out over time. If you have attended Mass recently, I hope you noticed that our Stations were recently restored. They were restored by a talented local woodworker. He and his team conducted a three-step process of restoration: cleaning, oiling and sealing. The work took his professional team several days to complete, and the cost of their services was \$10,840.

We received a generous donation that covered \$5,000 of the cost. That was such a blessing. It is our hope that we can raise the balance of the funds from parishioners' donations. If you would be willing to assist with this project, please consider "sponsoring" one station for \$417, but contributions of any amount will be greatly appreciated. If we have 14 sponsors, our balance will be fully supported. Please make your online payment or check to St. Rose of Lima Church, and on the memo line write "Stations Restoration". Thank you for helping to keep our beautiful church looking its best.

FESTIVAL UPDATES

ATTENTION: Medical Professionals (nurses, doctors, EMTs) are needed to volunteer for the First Aid Station at the Spring Festival.

One hour shifts between 11 am - 5 pm, Sunday, May 5.

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PARISH LIFE

NEED SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?

If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact:

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phillips.priscilla@gmail.com

Gina Waters •
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THE ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild takes care of the altar, promotes the spiritual growth of its members and assists the pastor as directed. **The next meeting will be Monday, May 13th 2024 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.**

For more information, please contact:
Janeal Whitefield aggiemom77@hotmail.com

THE THURSDAY CLUB

The Thursday Club is a social group that gathers to share fellowship and play cards and games. All parishioners aged 50 and over are welcome to join. The club meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, sharing a covered pot luck lunch on the 1st Thursday (bring your own lunch on the 3rd Thursday). **Next Meeting: Thursday, May 2nd at 9am in the Parish Hall. For more information, contact: Mary Wisniewski 713.864.5925**

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: WHAT IS AN ACTS RETREAT?

The retreat begins on Thursday evening and ends the following Sunday at the 10 am Mass celebrated with the parish community. Retreats for men and for women are given separately. Talks and activities focus on **Adoration, Community, Theology** and **Service**, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Holy Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church are the guides for the retreats. The goal is to develop a new or deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow retreatants. The next ACTS retreat for the men is June 6-9. **stroselima.org/acts**

JOIN THE GATHERING!

The Gathering is back in action! It is a safe and stimulating day of fun for people with special needs (Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Stroke, Dementia, etc.). Our theme-based "party" is held once a month, while family and caregivers are given time off to rest or run errands after dropping off their guests. Parish volunteers are on hand to assist our guests with various activities. To register please contact Patrick Bonorden at pebonorden@yahoo.com or 713.997.9630.

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

The mission of the Prayer Blanket Ministry is to provide prayers of relief to the suffering and sick of our community by making and distributing special individual lap-size blankets. These blankets convey our love and prayers to those in need. Volunteers can work as a group or individually in their own homes. Anyone with a basic knowledge of cutting, sewing, knitting or crochet and a desire to pray for those in need is welcome to become part of this ministry. Contact Dorothy Vetrano via email dljv96@gmail.com to get involved.

If you would like a prayer blanket for a loved one, we have them available in the office.

Chocoholic Feast Recap

The Altar Guild would like to thank everyone who came out to enjoy the Chocoholic Feast last Friday evening. Over 200 people enjoyed a fun-filled evening of games, food, fellowship and CHOCOLATE, and they helped raise more than \$6,000 that will be used to purchase necessary items for our church. Your participation and support help the Altar Guild to fulfill their mission and contribute to our parish community in a very special way. We hope to see you there again next year!



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SCRIPTURE READINGS: FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 21, 2024

SUNDAY	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ACTS 4:8-12; PS 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 JN 3:1-2; JN 10:11-18
MONDAY	ACTS 11:1-18; PS 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; JN 10:1-10
TUESDAY	ACTS 11:19-26; PS 87:1B-3, 4-5, 6-7; JN 10:22-30
WEDNESDAY	ACTS 12:24 – 13:5A; PS 67:2-3, 5, 6 AND 8; JN 12:44-50
THURSDAY	FEAST OF SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST 1 PT 5:5B-14; PS 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; MK 16:15-20
FRIDAY	ACTS 13:26-33; PS 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11AB; JN 14:1-6
SATURDAY	ACTS 13:44-52; PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4; JN 14:7-14
SUNDAY	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ACTS 9:26-31; PS 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 JN 3:18-24; JN 15:1-8

Prayer List/Lista de Oración: Sharon Vezolles, Kyle Yao Dacdac, Balder Brooks, Matthew Smith, Jose Lopez, Artur Zancanaro, Nishah Charania, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Ailen E. Vazquez, Ranses Ramos, Chuck Gremillion, Jasmine Armitage, Damianus Aditya Christie, Laurie Reinmann, Alysha Fath, Yolanda Falcon, Marianna Watkins, Josephine Reeves, Kerri Salinas, Jordan Anthony, Bob Olivo, Sonja Evans, David Diaz, Robert Matthew, Michelle Isler, Michelle Cole. Infant Francesca ShaSha. Mary Jo Romo. John Solis. Abel Hernandez(Protection). Martha L. Tunal (Health). Maricela&Baby Martinez. Carol Lee (Healing). Oralia Perez. Charles Heinrich. Roberto Carlos Castro (Healing).Patty Syzdek. Alan Bruce Braadshaw. Cordelia Vogel.

*****If your loved one can be removed, please contact the office to let us know. Thank you.**

Repose of the Souls of/Por el Descanso Eterno: Gilbert Koterias, Richard Benfiel, Barbara Liollo, Steven Figueroa, Jordan Longoria, Edilma Rodriguez. Frances LeVrier. Angeline Phillips. Infant Henry ShaSha. Theresa Rao. Barbara Witkoskie. Josie Church. Patricia Ormond. Cheri Holder. Father Richard Paulissen. Atonieta Mendoza. Erma Saulsberry. Luis Kyburg.

TRAVELING CHALICE

Pray for an **increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life**. Sign up sheet is in the church or you can send an email to:

Fr. John • frjohn@stroselima.org

2024 dates are now available.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

On this world day of prayer vocations, let us pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Did you know, St. Rose has had several vocations produced? Here are a few:

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The Church is very much aware of the pain of divorce, and the great need of divorced and remarried persons to have the healing presence of Jesus in their lives. With this in mind, we would like to inform you of the Tribunal's Nullity Case Sponsor Program. The ending of a marriage is a difficult experience, and divorce is one of life's tragedies. Many marriages end in divorce in spite of good intentions and the establishment of a family. The Catholic Church is sensitive to the pain and stress that a failed marital relationship brings to all involved. A primary role of the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is to assist people who petition for a possible annulment. Unfortunately, there are many misconceptions about annulments in the Catholic Church. At **St. Rose of Lima**, we have **three individuals** who have completed the program and are able to assist you if you are in need of a declaration of a nullity.

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