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### **TRAITS OF A DYNAMIC PARISHIONER, PART 1**

#### Dear Parishioners,

As always, thank you to Fr. Linh, Fr. John, all the Deacons and you, who make up the family of St. Rose of Lima Parish for giving me the opportunity to share some thoughts with you in this Sunday's bulletin. I chose my topic for the article primarily because it speaks of things I need to hear. But I also feel compelled to share these thoughts with you as well. I ask myself this question: "How can I be a motivated and excited parishioner?" This question moves me to pause and think. I am a cradle Catholic, born and raised in the varied and beautiful traditions of our Church both before and after the Second Vatican Council. This Council was called by Pope St. John XXIII not to change the Church but to update the Church and in so doing allowing vou and I to take a much more active role in the life of the Church.

So, here are a few points I hope to put into practice in my life not only as a deacon but also as a parishioner of St. Rose of Lima. First, let's all ask the Spirit of God to help us believe that living our lives as Catholic Christians is an **adventure**. This kind of parishioner is the one you will never hear saying, "we've never done it like that." Innovation, asking questions, may be even taking a risk with new ideas are the hallmarks of a parishioner who sees his or her Catholic identity as exciting and adventurous. Excited parishioners never get satisfied with the status quo. It's not about changing everything, but changing the way we see and experience Church.

The relocation of the Tabernacle behind the Altar is just such an experience. I am one who was of the mindset that I don't like the idea. But after it was done and the enthusiasm for the project became so evident, I became excited about it.

We all need to give thanks to Fr. Linh for his dynamic approach to this endeavor. It is a very powerful event in the history of our parish. I hear so many people make that statement. Looking back, we might even be so bold to say that this was just too great of an opportunity to pass up.

Last Sunday was Vocation Sunday. It's a time where we focus on the fact that God has called each of us to serve Him as Jesus served us. I encourage you to read Deacon David's column in last week's bulletin.

The excited and dynamic parishioner looks on his or her fellow parishioners and sees **untapped talent**. We see each of our brothers and sisters as an abundance of goodness just waiting to be summoned for whatever task is at hand. Parishioners like this help not only themselves but also help others to get excited and able to really believe in themselves.

We are all called to this ministry. Positive energy is the inherent trait in this kind of parishioner. Let's all take the time to see the amazing core that is the heart of St. Rose of Lima Parish. As many pages as our bulletin now has, it would not have the space for me to list our fellow parishioners who are exhibiting this kind of excitement for all of us to see.

Finally, the greatest way to live out our faith as Catholics is not to see ourselves as members of St. Rose of Lima, but rather as disciples.

### **TRAITS OF A DYNAMIC PARISHIONER, PART 2**

Being a member of a parish has a kind of static sound almost like you and I are just numbers in the parish data base. Just attending Mass or doing something out of obligation can become something beautiful for the parishioner who is willing to allow the Holy Spirit to help them develop a genuine desire to participate in the life of the Church and their fellow disciples.

Discipleship, not membership is how I know that we as parishioners at St. Rose of Lima choose to live out our lives of faith. And because the exit signs over the doors speak loudly to excited parishioners, we will never be afraid of Jesus' call to each of us to "go out and make disciples of all nations." We are not afraid because we do it together. Are you curious about the "fuel" that will allow this to happen in each of our lives as parishioners of St. Rose? That which is the Source and Summit of our Faith....The Eucharist.

Sincerely, Deacon John



#### **CCE CORNER**

This weekend over 100 St. Rose Day school and Public School students received the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time. They have now taken the second step in the process of becoming a fully initiated Catholic. The process will be completed when they receive Confirmation. This usually happens in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston at age 15. The most important fact we all need to remember as we celebrate with these children and their families is that First Communion and Confirmation are not the end of growth in our Catholic lives. These young people are just starting out on their lifelong journey with God, a journey that began at their Baptism. As members of this faith family all of us have an obligation to do and provide all that we can to these students and their parents so that the journey for all of them and for all of us remains just as exciting years from now as it was on First Communion day. The Catholic faith is meant to be an adventure, filled with excitement. One of the greatest excitements is to see our young people growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ. Please take some time in the coming days to congratulate these students and their families on this wonderful "new beginning" for these young people, their families, for the St. Rose of Lima Community and for the universal Church. A special thanks to the dedicated CCE volunteers and Sacramental Preparation teams that made all this possible. They have given much to make this possible. And thanks to you, the St. Rose family for your prayers on behalf of these First Communion children.

#### **BUSINESS MANAGER CORNER**

St. Rose Family,

I am thrilled to announce that we are embarking on an exciting journey to redesign our St. Rose Parish website! Our current website, while functional, is a bit dated, not robust, and doesn't leverage the latest technology and modern design trends. Our goal is to create a new digital extension of our culture, message, and mission.

Stay tuned for a customized design exclusively tailored to our Parish community. We've hired a talented print and digital communications company, that specializes in church websites, to provide our redesign.

Your feedback and suggestions are invaluable as we work towards this transformation. Let's build a digital presence that reflects the heart and soul of our Parish!

Stay tuned for updates on our progress. Together, let's make our online home a reflection of who we are and what we stand for.

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.

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Here are a few more vocations produced from St. Rose: Deacon Ed Herrera, Fr. Lawrence Jozwiak, Fr. George Olsovsky Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life!



### **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!

### **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. Contact Kelly Gaines: 713-504-1632 or kagaines@sbcglobal.net



### Sunday May 5 . 11 AM to 5 PM

May 5, 2024

7 PM Fun for the whole family? Children's Midway · Face Painting Raffle · Drawing Silent Auction · Great Food · Ice Cold Beverages Dinner by Ben's Chuck Wagon Dance to the Telstars!

#### **NEED SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?**

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

Priscilla Phillips · phillips.priscillac@gmail.com

Gina Waters · gina@marianservantshouston.org

#### 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** 

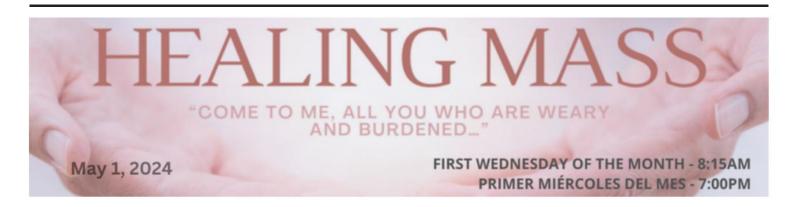
#### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: WHAT IS AN ACTS RETREAT?

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.





### **NIGHT RECAP**

Thanks to all who joined us for Faith Night on April 19th! We will see you again at the next one.





Save the date!

Scan the QR code to watch the promo video for AYC 2024!



#### What is AYC?

For those of you who are new to youth ministry or to the archdiocese, AYC is a youth conference which gives high school students an opportunity to go deeper in their faith with their peers from St. Rose of Lima and other parishes across the archdiocese. AYC participants will encounter Christ though their peers, youth ministry leaders, dynamic speakers, priests, and most of all in the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation.

#### Who can go to AYC?

Any incoming freshman to outgoing senior in high school. **To register**, please contact Laura Moore: laurajmoore2009@yahoo.com



#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION AT ST. ROSE

St. Rose of Lima will have a monthly One Hour Prayer Service in honor of the First Friday Devotion in the evening at 7:00p.m on May 3. The First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is based on a promise made by Our Lord Jesus Christ during an Apparition to St. Margaret Mary.

"I promise you in the excessive Mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful Love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the Grace of Final Penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving the Sacraments..."

#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AT ST. ROSE

St. Rose of Lima will continue having Mass on First Saturdays, the next one being May 4th at 8:15am, along with praying the rosary after Mass.

#### **The Promise**

Our Lady promised to assist all those who will practice the devotion of the first Saturday on five consecutive months with the graces necessary for salvation at the hour of their death. Source: EWTN

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## SRL SCHOOL NEWS

### **We Are Hiring!** www.stroseschool.org/employment <u>Assistant Principal</u>

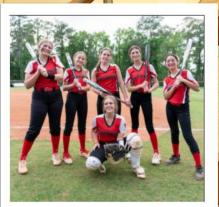
SRLCS is searching for an Assistant Principal. The assistant principal guides teachers in planning, developing, and using appropriate instructional procedures and materials as well as assists the principal with administrative issues, especially those that deal with student services, admissions, and placement. In this capacity the assistant principal must demonstrate a high level of teaching proficiency, a thorough knowledge of instructional strategies, developmentally appropriate practices, curriculum, and classroom management.

All candidates must hold a master's degree in education. Experience preferred. Interested applicants, please submit your resume to:

Stefanie Tellier stellier@stroselima.org

Our Lady Gardinal Softball team celebrated 8th Grade Night with

a win!







### **SRL SCHOOL**



SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024 CHECK IN 1:00 PM, GAMES START AT 3:00 PM SPJST Lodge

## LET THE GAME BEGIN

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