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1ST SUNDAY OF
LENT



ST. ROSE *of* LIMA
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

February 18, 2024

1st Sunday of Lent



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Monday Feb. 19	8:15 A.M. English †Walter Haldas
Tuesday Feb. 20	8:15 A.M. English Lourdes Ochoa
Wednesday Feb. 21	8:15 A.M. English 7:00 P.M. Spanish Jackie Madden †Josefina Hernandez
Thursday Feb. 22	8:15 A.M. English †August Galiano (1st Anniversary Death)
Friday Feb. 23	8:15 A.M. English Joseph Madden
Saturday Feb. 24	5:00 P.M. †Pete Santikos
Sunday Feb. 25	8:00 A.M. English 10:00 A.M. English †Fr. Richard Paulissen †Gerald&Leo Syzdek 12:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M. SRL COMMUNITY †Steve Vaeza

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FINANCIALS

COLLECTIONS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Masses	\$11,504.10
Drop Off & Mail In	\$230.00
Online	\$17,382.37
Weekly Total	\$29,116.47
Weekly Goal	\$24,185.58
Actual vs. Goal	\$4,930.89
Year to Date Total	\$686,254.78
Year to Date Goal	\$752,049.53
Actual vs. Goal	-\$65,794.75
Second Collection	\$2,969.31

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 SECOND COLLECTIONS

February 18, 2024: Black and Indian Missions collection
March 10, 2024: Catholic Relief Services

DSF PROGRESS TRACKER 2024

PARISH GOAL	\$110,000.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$3,853.00
LEFT TO RAISE	\$106,147.00

SET UP DSF DONATIONS

bit.ly/3uyBka2



SCAN THE QR CODE TO SET UP ONLINE GIVING:

CalendarOnline:

<https://www.stroselima.org/calendar-1>

Ch=Church FC=Fellowship Center RA/RB/RC=

Chpl=chapel PH=Parish Hall Admin bldg

WH=West Hall EH=East Hall Upstairs Rooms

*****VIEW THE CALENDAR ONLINE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION**



CALENDAR SUBMISSIONS

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.

Business Manager Corner

St. Rose Family,

I have just completed two weeks as your new Business Manager. It's been a blessed start for me. You have embraced me and made me feel like family already.

Let us consider doing the same for our community. As members of this vibrant, growing, and welcoming community, we have the joy and responsibility to share the love and grace of God with others. One powerful way we can do this is by inviting friends, family, and neighbors to join us for Mass. In our gatherings, we experience the beauty of worship, the strength of fellowship, and the nourishment of the Eucharist. By extending invitations to others, we offer them the opportunity to encounter the presence of God and become part of our faith family. In addition to Mass, we can invite them to our various Parish groups, like The Gathering, The Thursday Club, the Altar Guild, and the Men's Club to name a few. Let us embrace the call to evangelize and spread the Good News. Together, let's open our hearts and our doors to all who seek the light and love of Christ.

Sincerely,

Deacon Darryl Drenon

FAITHFULNESS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You think those who questioned, challenged, or didn't believe Jesus, like the self-centered pharisees in the Gospels, had any thoughts at all about being even the least bit faithful to helping Jesus in building his kingdom? I know, dumb question...why would you even worry or think about these pharisees, but on second thought; why would you not?

When reading scripture, especially the Gospel, sometimes it's a good practice to place oneself as one of the antagonists towards Jesus; that can be difficult, but it can also lead to real growth and real wisdom. Rather than saying, no I'm not at all like those pharisees, I think it's worthwhile to ask am I ever like them at times, or better yet, when have I been like them? Because if I'm 100% honest there are indeed times when I have.

In what ways might I ask myself do I ever act like or think like these pharisees or any other person or groups that tried to push Jesus back.

And if I do reflect on these, questions do surface.

Have I been self-centered, or when have I been self-centered?

Have I at times been cold to his presence as I hurry through my day, kind-of living in the moment, or for the moment; being entirely sufficient to myself with little thought or need of him? When as I reflect on my day were there times where I did not see him or times when I wasn't looking for him; or were there times where I chose not to see him...why?

Or have I come to him too many times with petition after petition and not thank you after thank you for all His miracles that are all around me.

Having this true and difficult conversation can be difficult, but at times necessary. Necessary if I am serious about wanting to truly live God's plan for my life.

G. K. Chesterton once wrote, "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and left untried."

Jesus truly loves us and will always respond to us when we seek him and his salvation. But if our wants are purely selfish, when we place ourselves above all else, we need to stop and realize that it may be a call for us to sincerely change our ways; to realize that perhaps our hearts need purification from our tendencies towards self-centeredness.

This Lenten season, we should ask ourselves, "Yes, Jesus, may I truly listen to you, may I come to know that you are in my heart, that you always have been, and may your will truly be my will".

These are important thoughts to think of as we begin the Lenten season when we are asked to repent and believe in the Gospel; when we are asked to change; to change our ways and live in His ways...live the Gospel!

Wishing you a lent full of growth and enrichment.

Sincerely,

Deacon David



PARISH LIFE

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

WWW.STROSELIMA.ORG/CALENDAR-1

MONDAY FEB. 19 Adoration 9-12

6:30P.M. CCE 2nd-5th GRADE BH,
RM A,B&C
7:00P.M. ACTS CORE, FC-BRIDE RM
7:00P.M. MARRIAGE PREP, FC
7:30P.M. PRAYER GROUP, CHPL

TUESDAY FEB. 20 Adoration 9-12

10:30 A.M. SCRIPTURE SHARING, RA
12:30 P.M. LEGION OF MARY (ENG), FC
7:00 P.M. BOY SCOUT TROOP 40, EH/RB
7:00 P.M. TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY, RC
7:30P.M. LEGION DE MARIA, RA

WEDNESDAY FEB. 21

10:30 A.M. WEDNESDAY MORNING
BIBLE STUDY, RC
11:00A.M. SVP, RA
6:00P.M. GIRL SCOUTS 122266, FC
6:00P.M. RECONCILIATION, CH

SUNDAY FEB. 25

8:00A.M.
SACRAMENTAL PREP,
PH
9:45A.M. CCE PRE-K-
1ST GRADE, FC
10:30A.M. CCE 2ND
GRADE(SPANISH) RA
3:00P.M. EDGE
PH/FC/BRIDE ROOM
3:30P.M. GIRL SCOUT
TROOP 122251, RC
**VIEW THE REST OF
THE CALENDAR
ONLINE

THURSDAY FEB. 22 Adoration 9-7

6:00P.M. CONFESSION, CH
6:30P.M. YOUTH MINISTRY,
FC/BRIDE ROOM
7:00 P.M. RCIA, RB

FRIDAY FEB. 23 Adoration 9-12

7:00 P.M. GRUPO DE ORACION, RB
7:00P.M. STATIONS IN ENGLISH, CH
7:45P.M. STATIONS IN SPANISH. CH

SATURDAY FEB. 24

8:00A.M. SVP, CH
10:30A.M. GABRIEL PROJECT, FC
4:00P.M. CONFESSION, CH

Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 18, 2024

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: St. Margaret of Cortona - Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: St. Peter Damian - Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Jl 2:12-13; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:18; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: St. Polycarp - Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

ITEMS ORDERED

- Electronic Drum Kit
- 3x10” Loudspeakers&2 subwoofers
- 1 Behringer x32 Mixer
- 300x Gather Hymnals
- 1 set of guitar books
- 1 set of piano acc books
- 1 set of gather Bb instrument book
- 1 set of gather C instrument book
- 1 set of gather Eb instrument book

Music Report



SUMMARY

PENDING

- Guitar and piano books are backordered
- Piano keys picked up for maintenance and repair
- Drum Kit loudspeakers and subwoofers pending
- Upright piano move to balcony

I would like to take this moment to acknowledge all the great efforts of this community to help us meet our musical needs and bring us one step closer to where we need to be. Not only did we raise the money that we set as a goal but we surpassed it and doubled it. I thank each and every one of you for your efforts and patience as we move forward and make these improvements. Some of which can already be found in our pews and others which are ongoing, like installing our new sound board and installing our new equipment. These improvements could not have been made without the community's generous efforts and dedication. Thank you.

Jose Arredondo, Director of Music

Sound System Update:

I would like to share with you the findings of the technician that came to revise our Sound System. Many have noted that the sound is not ideal and after a quick check we found that only one speaker (the speaker above the altar) is turned on. This is most likely the reason why sometimes it is hard to hear the Mass. I have advised the same company to test these speakers first since the main problem could be that they are not connected and after this process we will provide another update.

Scout Sunday 2024



Troop 40 is part of the Lonestar District, Sam Houston Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Established in 1950, Troop 40 has been sponsored by St. Rose of Lima Parish for more than 70 years. Troop 40 serves our parish community during our Spring Festival, Fish Fries, and Veteran's Day Dinner as well as serving the local community with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the American Legion. For more information on Troop 40, email troop40houston@gmail.com or visit their website troop40houston.org.

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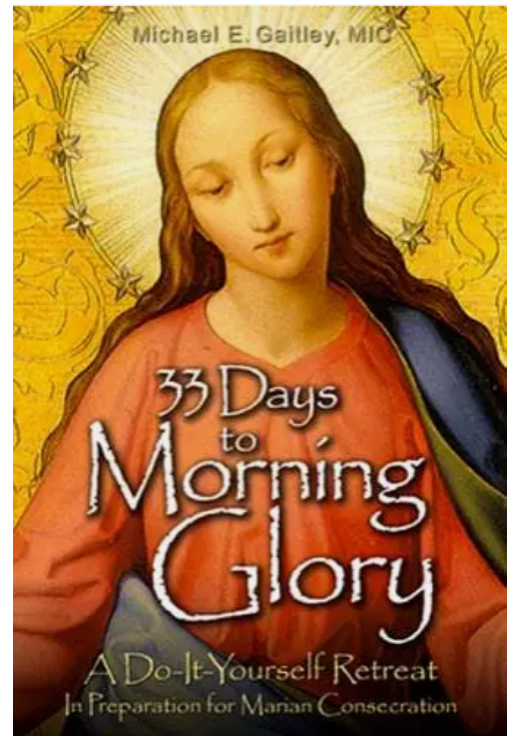
Prayer List/Lista de Oración: Sharon Vezolles, Kyle Yao Dacdac, Balder Brooks, Matthew Smith, Jose Lopez, Artur Zancanaro, Nishah Charania, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Ailen E. Vazquez, Ranses Ramos, Chuck Gremillion, Jasmine Armitage, Damianus Aditya Christie, Laurie Reinmann, Alysha Fath, Yolanda Falcon, 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. Michael Fenn.

*****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. Pauline Tamborello.

33 Days to Morning Glory: **A Do-It-Yourself Retreat In Preparation for Marian Consecration to Jesus through Mary.**

St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Teresa of Calcutta, and John Paul II. Fr. Michael Gaitley masterfully summarizes their teaching, making it easy to grasp and simple enough to put into practice. More specifically, he weaves their thought into a user-friendly, do-it-yourself retreat that will bless even the busiest of people. So, if you've been thinking about entrusting yourself to Mary for the first time or if you're simply looking to deepen and renew your devotion to her, 33 Days to Morning Glory is the right book to read and the perfect retreat to make.



We will begin preparation on **Wednesday, February 21st** and end on **Monday, March 25th** by praying the consecration prayers in the Church after the 8:15a.m. Mass. We will have copies of the consecration prayer on hand if you would like to join us. This book can be found at Sacco's, Veritas, or online at Amazon, Amazon Kindle and other stores.

START OF THE 33 DAYS	MARIAN FEAST	CONSECRATION/ FEAST DAY
January 9	Our Lady of Lourdes	February 11
February 20*	The Annunciation	March 25
April 10	Our Lady of Fatima	May 13
April 28	The Visitation	May 31
Varies	Immaculate Heart	Saturday after Corpus Christi
June 13	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	July 16
July 13	The Assumption	August 15
July 20	Queenship of Mary	August 22
August 6	Nativity of Mary	September 8
August 10	Holy Name of Mary	September 12
August 13	Our Lady of Sorrows	September 15
September 4	Our Lady of the Rosary	October 7
October 19	Presentation of Mary	November 21
November 5	Immaculate Conception	December 8
November 9	Our Lady of Guadalupe	December 12
November 29	Mother of God	January 1
December 31	Presentation of the Lord	February 2

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NEED SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?

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

Priscilla Phillips •
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Gina Waters •
gina@marianservantshouston.org

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?

The ministry of Spiritual Direction was formed to help people to grow in holiness and gain freedom in Christ. Spiritual Direction can help to identify God's action on a daily basis.

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, March 7th & March 15th at 9am in the Parish Hall. For more information, contact: Mary Wisniewski 713.864.5925

THE ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild takes care of the altar, promotes the spiritual growth of its members and assists the pastor as directed. They clean the altar every week and sponsor different fundraisers throughout the year to pay for altar cloths, candles, the bread and wine consecrated at the Eucharist and other needs. We are always looking for new members, and any woman, who is a member of the parish, is invited to join the Altar Guild.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 4th 2024 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

For more information, please contact:

Janeal Whitefield aggiemom77@hotmail.com

SACRAMENTS

Are you an adult Catholic who has never had the opportunity to be confirmed? The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has a wonderful program for you. Through a consolidated preparation program of six weeks, you can be confirmed with other adults in an Archdiocesan celebration held on Pentecost Sunday at various locations throughout the Archdiocese. You must be 18 years of age or older and out of high school. You should be a baptized Catholic who has made their First Communion and is actively participating in the life of the Church. Topics discussed are Faith and Creed; Jesus and Prayer; The Church and Christian Initiation; Confirmation and the Gifts of the Spirit; and finally the Moral Life and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Those candidates for Confirmation who are married, must have been married in the Catholic Church. **A registration session will be held on Tuesday, April 2 at 6p.m. in Room B of the Admin Bldg., no pre-registration is required.** Classes begin on April 9th. You can email johnm@stroselima.org for more information.

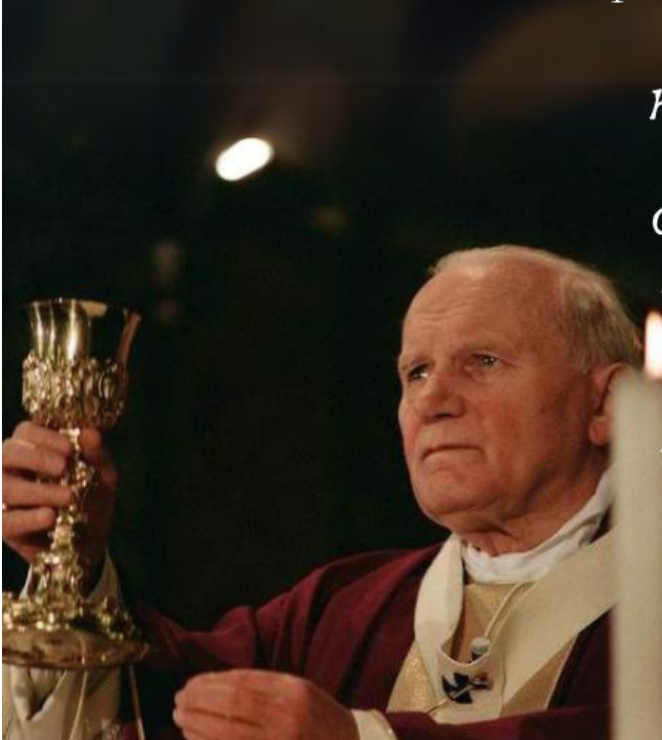
MEN'S CLUB

The St. Rose of Lima Men's Club is a fraternal group of parish men who serve their community in many ways. Club members play significant roles in supporting the annual Parish Festival, St. Rose Day activities and other parish events. Their primary fundraiser is a semi-annual Fish Fry, the proceeds of which go to support a number of parish and community causes. Club members meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm for a meeting, refreshments, games and fellowship. If interested in joining, please contact Rick Burrell at: richard.d.burrell@exxonmobil.com

Traveling Chalice

2024 Dates Available!

Prayerfully consider signing-up to take home the traveling chalice for vocations! The sign-up sheet is located on the table near the Chapel entrance.



'There was a clear sense that what I heard in my heart was no human voice, nor was it just an idea of my own. Christ was calling me to serve him as a Priest. And you can probably tell that I am deeply grateful to God for my vocation to the Priesthood. Nothing means more to me or gives me greater joy than to celebrate Mass each day and to serve God's people in the Church.'

Pope Saint John Paul II

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.

STAR: WHAT IS THE STAR GROUP?

Stitching To Assist Recovery is a group of ladies willing and able to help others to recover by making items for their comfort. The items go to many different places such as The V.A. Hospital, American Cancer society, Ben Taub Hospital, Local nursing homes and many other groups who need our help. We sew, cut, tag, stuff pillows along with other things. All provisions are provided, all you need to do is lend us a helping hand. There are no regular meetings. No age limit, we have young girls that have just joined us.

Share your God given talents!
If you can help please call Jo Ann Thompson
713.682.2835



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MEN'S CLUB FISH FRY

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MARCH 22
4:30-7:30PM
IN THE EAST HALL



THE VOCATIONS **Andrew DINNER**

A dinner for High School men who want to have a conversation with priests about the priesthood.

Spring 2024 Dinners

- Friday, February 9
St. Anthony of Padua - The Woodlands
- Monday, February 19
St. Clare of Assisi - Clear Lake
- Friday, March 22
St. Theresa - Sugar Land
- Friday, April 5
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Happy Birthday
Father Linh!!!



EVENTS

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent at 7:00pm
beginning on February 16.

Vía Crucis en español a las 7:45pm.

“IF ANY MAN WOULD COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS AND FOLLOW ME.”

- MATTHEW 16:24



St. Rose of Lima

FIESTA!

May 5, 2024

Join us for the Spring Festival

Save the date!
More info coming soon!

The poster features a central green banner with the word "FIESTA!" in large, colorful, stylized letters. Above the banner, the text "St. Rose of Lima" is written in a blue, cursive font. Below the banner, the date "May 5, 2024" is displayed in pink. The entire graphic is surrounded by a festive border of colorful streamers and confetti. At the bottom, there is a string of colorful bunting flags and the text "Join us for the Spring Festival", "Save the date!", and "More info coming soon!" in a cursive font.

SRL SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Lunar New Year! Our PK4, Kinder and First Graders were treated to an exciting show by a dragon dance troupe. To quote the students, "It was awesome".



SCHOOL CHOIR!



JOIN US FOR REHEARSALS AFTER SCHOOL!

MONDAY AND WEDNESDAYS!

TO SIGN UP EMAIL IARREDONDO@STROSELIMA.ORG



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