

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

PARROQUIA SANTA ROSA DE LIMA

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PRAY... GROW... SERVE / ORAR... CRECER... SERVIR

EUCCHARIST / EUCARISTIA

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Monday-Friday ----- 8:30 am----- (English)

1er Viernes ----- 7:00 pm----- (Español)

Sunday ----- 7:30 am----- (English)

1er Dimanche ----- 10:00 am----- (Français)

2nd Sunday ----- 5:00 pm----- (Tagalog)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm----- (English)

Sunday ----- 9:00 am----- (English + ASL)

11:00 am----- (English)

Domingo ----- 1:00 pm----- (Español)

RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACION

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Thursday ----- 7:00-9:00 pm---- (English/Español)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:30 pm----- (English)

Domingo ----- 2:15-3:15 pm----- (Español)

NEWCOMERS / NUEVOS MIEMBROS

Meeting - Duggan Room / Reunión - Salón Duggan

2o Domingo ----- 12:00 pm----- (Español)

2nd Sunday ----- 12:15 pm----- (English)

OTHER SERVICES / OTROS SERVICIOS

Stephen Ministry

Ralph Bally: 301-873-0487 • Zita Tepie: 301-519-1527

Accessibility / Fácil Acceso: Hearing systems, accessible seating, large print worship guides and ASL interpretation are available. / Aparatos amplificadores de sonido y asientos accesibles están disponibles.

BAPTISM / BAUTISMO

Begin classes while pregnant or awaiting adoption. Baptisms will not be scheduled until classes have been completed (2 sessions required). Parents MUST pre-register to attend. CLASS DATES: **2018:** Jan. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May 12 & 19, Sept. 8 & 15, Nov. 10 & 17

Comience las clases cuando este embarazada o esperando una adopción. Los Bautizos no se podrán programar hasta que las clases hayan sido completadas (Se requieren 2 sesiones). Los padres TIENEN que pre-registrarse para atender. FECHAS DE CLASES: **2018:** Ene. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May. 12 & 19, Sep. 8 & 15, Nov. 10 & 17

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Couples seeking marriage must make arrangements with a Priest or Deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date. Do not plan a reception until you have met with the Priest or Deacon. At least one party must be a member of St. Rose.

Las parejas que buscan el matrimonio deben hacer arreglos con un sacerdote o diácono con un mínimo de 6 meses antes de fijar una fecha para la boda. No planifique una recepción sino hasta que se haya reunido con el sacerdote o el diácono. Al menos una persona debe ser miembro de Sta. Rosa.

NOVEMBER 26, 2017

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BULLETIN / CALENDAR / ROOM RESERVATIONS

Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!
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RENTAL EVENTS / ALQUILER PARA EVENTOS

Quinceañeras, Wedding Receptions, Parties & More!
Maria Cristina Tenaglia ----- woodlands@strose.com

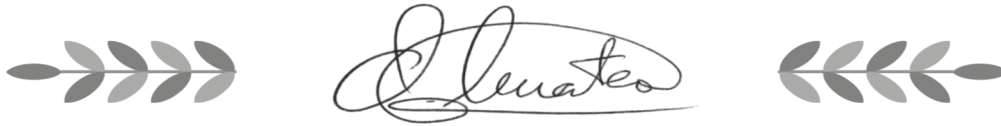
MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - Grades PreK-8
Michael Friel, Principal -----301-869-0940
Website ----- www.maryofnazareth.org

Book Nook & Café

- EVENT DATE:** January 5 - 7, 2018
- DONATE:** Books, CD's, DVD's and other media
- DONATION DROP OFF:** Fri., Nov. 24, 9:00am-3:00pm
Sat., Nov. 25, 9:00am-12:00pm
St. Rose Garage in the Back Parking Lot
- VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS:** Help with the event!
Sign up after Masses:
Nov. 25/26 & Dec. 2/3



WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR



We all have our little kingdoms; some place where we are in charge and have some authority. We all have rights as individuals granted to us by God, the Author of life. God is the source of all authority and each of us shares in that great power. We can either use our authority with domination, force and fear or we can use it with gentleness, respect, and loving concern. Jesus used His authority, always measured by His love.

In today's readings we hear how our God will judge His people. "When the Son of God comes in His glory at the end of time, He will sit upon His throne and all the nations will be assembled before Him." What do we think He will ask of us? Did you go to Church often? Have you kept the laws, rules and regulations of the Church? Have you loved God with all your heart, mind and soul? Did you pray and take time to reflect on the scriptures? He might ask those things, but I think there is more, much more. He is going to ask us how we treated the least of our brothers and sisters, the immigrant, the hungry, the poor, those in prison, those with special needs and those who are sick in heart and mind. Did we lord it over them? Did we turn our back and ignore their needs? How did we welcome the stranger, the lonely, the alienated, the outsiders and the losers? Did we see them as inferior, lazy, uneducated, helpless and hopeless? When we have helped the least of our brothers and sisters, we have done it to the Lord Himself. That is the measure the Lord will use as to how we have lived and loved and used our authority.

We may ask ourselves who are these "least" that Jesus talks about. They are every man, woman, child. All of us hunger for acceptance and love. We all are strangers on our pilgrim way. Some of us are locked in prisons of our own making, chained by selfishness and sin of all kinds. We are all handicapped in one way or another, for we are all in need. We thirst to satisfy our desire for happiness. Something deep inside us calls us to be whole, complete and fulfilled, to be holy, to be like the Lord of Life Himself.

All of us are numbered among the least. We share a common life together. Many times we are hurt by the sins of others and by our own self centeredness. Sometimes we forget that we are to be good shepherds one to another, to be on the watch for those who need our care, concern and love.

Those who want to rank first must serve the needs of all. Jesus, Our Good Shepherd and King, has come to serve and give His life as a ransom for many.

Todos tenemos nuestros pequeños reinos; un lugar donde somos capaces de ser responsables y tener alguna autoridad. Todos tenemos derechos como individuos dados por Dios, el autor de la vida. Dios es la fuente de toda autoridad y cada uno de nosotros comparte en ese gran poder. Podemos bien usar nuestra autoridad con dominación, fuerza y miedo o podemos usarlo con delicadeza, respeto, cuidado y preocupación amorosa. Jesús usó su autoridad, siempre medida por su amor.

En las lecturas de hoy, escuchamos cómo Dios juzgará a su pueblo. «Cuando el Hijo de Dios venga en su gloria al final del tiempo, se sentará en su trono y se postrarán todas las Naciones delante de él». ¿Y qué pensamos que pedirá de nosotros? ¿Fuiste a la iglesia a menudo? ¿Respetaste las leyes, las normas y reglamentos de la iglesia? ¿Han amado a Dios con todo tu corazón, mente y alma? ¿Oraron y tomaron el tiempo para reflexionar sobre las escrituras? Podría preguntar esas cosas, pero creo que hay más, mucho más. Él va a preguntarnos cómo tratamos al menor de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, el inmigrante, los hambrientos, los pobres, los encarcelados, las personas con necesidades especiales y los enfermos del corazón y la mente. ¿Lo hicimos? ¿O dimos la espalda e ignoramos sus necesidades? ¿Cómo acogimos al extranjero, los solitarios, los alienados, los forasteros y los perdedores? ¿Los vimos como inferiores, vagos, incultos, indefensos y sin esperanza? Cuando hemos ayudado a éstos, al menor de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, lo hemos hecho por el Señor mismo. Y que es la medida que el Señor utilizará para ver cómo hemos vivido y amado y cómo usamos nuestra autoridad es el amor mismo.

Podemos preguntarnos quiénes son estos "pequeños" de los que habla Jesús. Son cada hombre, cada mujer y cada niño. Son tú y yo. Todos tienen hambre de aceptación y amor. Todos somos extraños en nuestro peregrino camino. Algunos de nosotros están encerrados en prisiones de nuestra propia fabricación, encadenados por el egoísmo y el pecado de todo tipo. Somos todos discapacitados de una u otra forma y todos estamos en necesidad. Tenemos sed para satisfacer nuestro deseo de felicidad. Algo profundo dentro de nosotros nos llama a ser santos y a ser como el Señor mismo.

Todos somos compartimos una vida común. Muchas veces somos heridos por los pecados de otros y por nuestro propio enfoque de la vida. A veces nos olvidamos que estamos para ser buenos pastores los unos de los otros.

Quien quiera ser primero debe atender las necesidades de todos. Jesús, nuestro buen pastor y rey ha venido no para ser servido sino para servir y dar su vida en rescate por muchos.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 9:30 am Fulfillment of All Desire (DGN)
- 6:30 pm Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/YC)
- 7:00 pm Fulfillment of All Desire (LR)
- 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (BR1/STP/STJ/DGN2)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- 6:30 pm Gr. K-6 Religious Education (CHLL)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- 6:30 pm HS MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)
- 7:00 pm The Liturgical Year (DGN)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00 pm (HC)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)
- 7:00 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Practica (KD)
- 7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 9:30 am Symbolon (DGN1)
- 3:00 pm Christmas Tree Lot & Shoppe Opens
- 6:45 pm Rosario y Misa (HC)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 6:30 am That Man Is You (CH)
- 8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CF)
- 8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo B (HC)
- 9:30 am Lector Formation - Team B (HC)
- 10:00 am La Misa Explicada para los Niños (CH)
- 3:00 pm Teaching Mass for Children (CH)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 | ADVENT I

- 9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/BR/YC)
- 10:00 am Messe en Français (HC)
- 11:15 am Grupo de Jóvenes (YC)
- 11:30 am Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (BR2)
- 1:00 pm Legion of Mary (JE)
- 4:00 pm Family Formation Session (PCW/LR/BR/CHLL)

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

1st Sunday of Advent/

1^{er} Domingo de Adviento

December 2/3, 2017

Masses/Celebrants:

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|----------------|------|---------------------------------|
| Sat., 5:00 pm | (CH) | Fr. Tony Krisak |
| Sun., 7:30 am | (HC) | Fr. Francis Russo |
| Sun., 9:00 am | (CH) | Fr. Justin Huber |
| Sun., 10:00 am | (HC) | Fr. Mike Petit-Homme (français) |
| Sun., 11:00 am | (CH) | Fr. Agustín Mateo |
| Sun., 1:00 pm | (CH) | Fr. Agustín Mateo (español) |

Scriptures:

Is. 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 / 1 Cor. 1:3-9 / Mk. 13:33-37

Bread Bakers: Group 7 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team B

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

† Deceased * Living

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|-------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| Mon., 11/27 | 8:30 am | † Daniel R. Perazzo & Iris M. Knecht |
| Tue., 11/28 | 8:30 am | † Jerry McHugh |
| Wed., 11/29 | 8:30 am | † Rev. John S. Mattingly |
| Thu., 11/30 | 8:30 am | † Mladen Stipisic |
| Fri., 12/1 | 8:30 am | † Rev. Msgr. Vincent S. Gatto |
| Fri., 12/1 | 7:00 pm | † Maria de la Paz Montoya de Cruz |
| Sat., 12/2 | 5:00 pm | † Noreen Lucey |
| Sun., 12/3 | 7:30 am | † Tara Roche |
| Sun., 12/3 | 9:00 am | † Jacob Russell |
| Sun., 12/3 | 11:00 am | † Marie Acuna |
| Sun., 12/3 | 1:00 pm | † Lino Vargas Perez |

CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

Baptism / Bautizo

Massimo Gabriele López
 Michelangelo David Ryan
 Karlie Julia Fulgencio Villaruel



PLEASE PRAY FOR... / POR FAVOR RECE POR...

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Maria Alcivar, Cliff Arsenault, Will Bauman, Joan Berado, Paul Bustamante, Maddie Cabatic, Sylvia Cabrera, Susan Cadima, Yolanda Carrasco, Danna Cevallos, JoAnn Coules, Joseph Damiano, Lyn Dibble, Linda Edgeman, Jose Escalante, Mary Eustice, Antonia Giuliano, Ethan Glass, Marta Guerrero, Gregory Hanks, Fernando Hernandez, Ken Hollum, Kenneth Homon, Evelin Idrovo, Carolina Kline, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Augusto Lora, Lydia Mana, Yanira Mancía, Linda Markle, Priscila Martinez, Jennette Matteredo, Josie Matteredo, Kevin McCarthy, Maria Mejia, Virginia Mendoza, Helene O'Neil, Rafael Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Romeo Pascual, Victor Rivas, Francisco Romero, Bunny Roncevic, Michelangelo Ryan, Patricia Sattalo, John Schmitz, Maria Torres, Paula Turner, Amy Williams, and Salvador Zelada.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

David A. Foggo, father of Rev. Shaun T. Foggo; Josephine Griffin, mother of Rev. Carter H. Griffin.



WORSHIP / ADORACION

REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

During November, we remember and pray for the faithful departed. We display our Book of the Dead near the entrance of the Church and the Historic Chapel. Recorded on the pages of this book are the names of those for whom we held funeral services or buried in our cemetery. You may add your deceased loved ones to the write-in pages.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASSES

Fri., Dec. 8. Join us on this Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are at 8:30am and 12:15pm, Historic Chapel (English); and 7:00pm, Church (Bilingual). Liturgical Ministers are asked to sign up by the Liturgical Ministers table.



LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Advent begins on Sun., Dec. 3, 2017. You and your household are invited to light the Advent Wreath before a weekend Mass. SIGN UP: <http://tinyurl.com/ADVWRE>

LA ILUMINACIÓN DE LA CORONA DE ADVIENTO

Usted y su familia están invitados a encender las velas de la corona de Adviento antes de la Misa durante el Adviento. ANOTESE: <http://tinyurl.com/ADVWRE>

ADVENT TAIZÉ PRAYER

Wed., Dec. 6, 7:00pm, Historic Chapel. Come celebrate Advent with the simplicity and peace of prayer and song in the style of Taizé, which includes sung meditative music, scripture readings and a brief time of reflective silence.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE / RITO PENITENCIAL DE ADVIENTO

Wed., Dec. 13, 5:00pm (service in English) and 7:00pm (bilingual service), Church. Priests will be available to hear confessions in English and Spanish. / Miércoles, 13 de diciembre, 5:00pm y 7:00pm, en la iglesia.



O COME EMMANUEL!

ADVENT EVENINGS OF PRAYER & VESPERS

Sundays of Advent, 6:00-8:00pm, St. John Paul II National Shrine, 3900 Harewood Rd. NE, Wash. DC. This special prayer series includes a presentation on interior prayer and

time for silent contemplation, followed by a Sunday Vespers service. Stay for Mass at 7:00pm.

SPEAKER TOPICS

Dec. 3, Advent I - "Waiting for the Lord"

Dec. 10, Advent II - "Preparing the way of the Lord"

Dec. 17, Advent III - "In the Beginning Was the Word"

Dec. 24, Advent IV - "And the Word Was Made Flesh"

BLESSING THE ADVENT WREATH AT HOME

Gather your family together and bless your Advent wreath at home! Find the blessing here: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/sacramentals-blessings/objects/blessing-of-an-advent-wreath.cfm>.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5!

PARTICIPATE IN THE CHRISTMAS PROCESSION!

Participate in the entrance procession at the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass! There is a place for everyone—the more the merrier! A small number of participants will be selected by lottery to serve in specific nativity character roles. MANDATORY REHEARSAL: Sat., Dec. 23, 9:00am-11:00am, Jeremiah Room. INFO & RSVP (by Tues., Dec. 13): Allison Boyle, swimcoachmom2@gmail.com

MASS TIME CHANGES FOR DECEMBER 24

Because the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day this year, we have adjusted morning Mass times that day, instead of following our normal Sunday Mass schedule. All Masses will be held in the Church.

4th Sunday of Advent - Sun., Dec. 24

8:00am - Mass in English

10:00am - Mass in English

12:00pm - Misa en Español

Christmas Eve - Sun., Dec. 24

4:00pm - Mass in English

6:00pm - Mass in English

8:00pm - Misa en Español

10:00pm - Mass in English



EDUCATION / EDUCACION



ARE YOU A HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR OR SENIOR?

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM!

All high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors are invited to join the Confirmation Retreat Leadership Team. We are looking for faith-filled, dependable, and mature leaders who can work in a team environment and are ready to be role-models in faith for our Confirmandi. We will meet once a week for six weeks leading up to the Confirmation Retreat in February. INFO & APPLICATION: www.strose-parish.com/youth-ministry DEADLINE: December 13

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE LITURGICAL YEAR

Wed., Nov. 29, 7:00pm, Duggan Room. Join Christine Jeffrey and Mary Ann Deak as they talk about the liturgical year, saints, Mary and other things Catholic.



COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

JOIN THE O.W.L.S. FOR A

POTLUCK CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Tues., Dec. 12, 12:00pm, Duggan Room. Join the Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors for this fun annual event! After lunch, bring your Christmas spirit and best voice to the King David Room to sing Christmas carols! Bring a dish to share. Friends are welcome! RSVP: Linda LeBlanc, 301-963-1269 or stroseowls@gmail.com



A VISIT FROM SAINT NICHOLAS

Sat., Dec. 2, 1:00-3:30pm, St. John Paul II National Shrine, 3900 Harewood Rd. NE, Wash. DC. Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, will pay a special visit to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine! He is excited to meet children and share with them how he became a saint, his special friendship

with Christ, and most importantly of all – how to prepare well for Christmas. His visit will include special heartwarming activities for children. Bring the whole family! INFO: <http://www.jp2shrine.org/jp/en/events/index.html>

CHRISTMAS TREES & SHOPPE / ÁRBOLES DE NAVIDAD Y TIENDA NAVIDEÑA

SIGN UP TO HELP!

Donate your time & talent for this beloved fundraiser! Many shifts are available. Food for volunteers is also appreciated: soups, stews, casseroles, baked goods, etc.!



TREE LOT & SHOPPE HOURS

FRI., DEC. 1 - SUN., DEC. 17
SAT. & SUN., 9:00AM-8:00PM
MON. - FRI., 3:00-8:00PM

CHILDREN'S SHOPPE:

SAT., DEC. 2, 9:00AM-5:00PM
SUN., DEC. 3, 9:00AM-12:00PM



WREATH DECORATING:

DEC. 2 & 9, 9:00AM-3:00PM
DEC. 3 & 10, 1:00-5:00PM

PRE-ORDERED POINSETTIA PICK UP:

SAT., DEC. 2, 1:00-7:00PM
SUN., DEC. 3, 8:00AM-4:00PM



INFO: christmas@strose.com

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

Email your questions to:
fatherjustin@strose.com



QUESTION: What does it mean to say that Jesus is King of the Universe?

ANSWER: This Sunday – the 34th week in Ordinary Time – marks the end of the liturgical year, with next week ushering in the pre-Christmas season of Advent. It is also the Sunday on which we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. Unlike many of the feast days that we celebrate, it is of relatively recent origin, having been instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925. Pope Pius XI said that we “must look for the peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ” because “as long as individuals and states refused to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations.” (Pope Pius XI, *Quas Primas*, 11 December 1925)

By instituting the Feast of Christ the King, the pope was trying to remind everyone that the only way to find peace in the world and in our own individual lives is by allowing Jesus to be the king of our own personal universes. What this means is that each day each of us must wake up and begin the day in prayer, surrendering his or her entire life into Jesus' hands – allowing him to be the one who leads us through the day. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.” (Mt 28:18)

The Feast of Christ the King is also a reminder that Jesus came into the world to carry out the work of restoring creation to its original state, a state in which everything points back to the Creator. In establishing a Church, he has invited us to be cooperators in that project of restoring the created order. The world is not destined to be always affected by sin and death. Suffering will come to end. Remembering that truth, we are filled with hope as we prepare for the child-king to break into the human experience as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.

 SERVICE / SERVICIO

GIFTS FROM THE HEART -

AN ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS GIFT-GIVING PROGRAM



This St. Rose program was created to help reclaim the true meaning of Christmas. Instead of spending time and money buying gifts for our loved ones who already have everything they need, we can honor them by supporting the needy in their name. When you place an order from the GFTH Form, you will receive a card that specifies the gifts you purchased from the charity of your choice. You then present the cards to your loved ones, who will be blessed knowing that their gift has helped others in need! Pick up a GFTH Form in the Church Foyer or print one from our website: www.strose-parish.org/service. All checks are made out to St. Rose of Lima Parish and are tax deductible.

THE GIFTING TREE

Christmas Gifting Tree: Bring holiday cheer to our neighbors in need. St. Rose will fill special Christmas requests from needy families identified by the City of Gaithersburg through our



annual Gifting Trees. These trees (located in the Church Foyer and the Church Lower Level) have tags on them with the requested items. Take a gift tag or two from the tree, purchase the requested item, and return it (with tag affixed) underneath the Gifting Tree by Sun., Dec. 10.



ECUADOR RETREAT IMMERSION -
A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE

All youth and young adults (ages 15-30) are invited to join St. Rose for a life changing retreat immersion to Ecuador this summer. Registration is now open and will close the first

week of December. INFO: www.strose-parish.org/ecuador

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE - AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!

After many years, "Santa's Elves" Kay and Kathy are retiring from the Christmas Shoppe. Replacement chair or co-chairs are needed for 2018. Shadow them during the 2017 Christmas Shoppe, and during a one-day Christmas buying trip in January. Learn or practice your skills at marketing, advertising, buying, displaying and pricing, all while helping St. Rose. INFO: Kathy, 301-330-4660, or Kay, 301-869-2064

STEWARDSHIP / 
CORRESPONSABILIDAD

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

My Church is composed of people like me.
I help to make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am friendly.
Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.
It will do great work, if I work.
It will make generous gifts to many causes,
if I am a generous giver.
It will bring other people into its worship,
if I invite and bring them.



It will be a Church of loyalty and love,
of fearlessness and faith,
and a Church with a noble spirit,
if I, who help to make it what it is,
am filled with these same things.

Therefore, Lord, I ask for strength and courage,
that I may dedicate myself to playing my part
in being all the things that I want my Church to be.

Amen.

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

TREASURE / TESORO November 11 - 17, 2017

Your Gifts to the Lord

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|-------------------------------|----------|
| Offertory ----- | \$15,855 |
| Direct Debit Offertory ----- | \$32,794 |
| Mortgage Reduction ----- | \$897 |
| Capital Campaign ----- | \$590 |
| Gift Certificate Profit ----- | \$134 |

Our Weekly Tithe

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Parish Poor Box ----- | \$2,432 |
| Gaithersburg HELP ----- | \$500 |
| Germantown HELP ----- | \$250 |

Financial Fact

Our Gift Certificate Program is an easy way to support St. Rose, at no additional cost to you. Buy grocery gift cards at face value from St. Rose, use them at face value at the store, and St. Rose receives a rebate! Since 7/1/17, we have received \$2,851 in rebates. Gift Certificates (Giant, Shoppers Food Warehouse & Whole Foods) are available after Masses and from the Parish Office. Buy some today!

TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO

Gift Certificate Sellers

These teams sell grocery gift certificates before and after weekend Masses, serving with dedication and integrity.