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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*

* See Worship Column for Lenten Confession Schedule.

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

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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. 15 & 22, 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. 15 & 22, 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.

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SHARING THE JOURNEY - KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER AS A PRO-LIFE ISSUE

Friday, March 2, 6:00pm, Woodlands Room

This evening includes a soup supper, a presentation by Fr. Jacek Orzechowski, OFM from Catholic Charities, and a personal testimony of a catechist at the Catholic Community of Langley Park whose family is facing a perilous future due to the termination of the Temporary Protected Status (TPS). Fr. Jacek will highlight some of the challenges facing immigrant members of the

Catholic Church in our region, and point out unique opportunities that Montgomery County residents have to defend the vulnerable, promote justice and nurture the culture of life through local community organizing efforts such as AIM and the archdiocesan Justice and Advocacy Council. INFO: Sherry Moitoza, smoitoza@strose.com

Fr. Jacek Orzechowski, OFM was born and grew up in Poland. After immigrating to the U.S. in 1988, he joined Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province and obtained a Master of Divinity degree from Washington Theological Union. He served as a Parochial Vicar at St. Camillus Church in Silver Spring for the past nine years. He now serves at Catholic Charities, coordinating its Parish Community Organizing and Advocacy efforts.

WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR

There are many people who have never had an experience of God in their lives. Maybe it is because they look at life as a problem to be solved, rather than a mystery to be lived. Maybe they are just too busy getting ahead, making money and spending it. Maybe they are just too satisfied with things as they are, and do not want change of any kind.

Today, we hear about the transfiguration of the Lord. Jesus takes His friends, Peter, James and John, up a high mountain. There He is transfigured before their eyes. It was a peak experience for them. They began to realize and accept what Jesus was all about, that He would suffer, die and rise on the third day. Peter for the first time was speechless. Now, they knew; through suffering and death, through failure there is new life, the promise of salvation. We think of Jesus' transfiguration as a triumph of glory, but there is more. Jesus accepted His ultimate failure, His death on a cross. For Him the two went hand in hand: first death and then glory.

When His family thought He had lost His mind, He found some new friends. When the hometown people rejected His words, He went off to other towns. When those people refused to accept what He said and who He was, they turned Him over to the Romans to be crucified. He then went "home" to His Father. Jesus learned obedience from the things He suffered.

It would be good for us if we learned obedience by accepting the hard facts of life from the things we suffer. It would be good if we learned to accept failure as a necessary part of life instead of being surprised by it or trying to find some easy solution. But we will never come to terms with these lesser failures until we recognize and accept the failure of death.

All of us know that sooner or later we are going to die. But we pretend that it won't happen for a long time. We separate death from life itself. Each year brings us closer to the grave. We are frightened of death and try to make something eternal. Love is forever we say and it is. But sometimes it isn't. Maybe it wasn't love after all. Maybe love just died.

We like to think that our children will comfort us in our old age, that they will carry on our name and all that we had worked for. And they should, but sometimes they don't. Maybe it is not their fault. It is because all of us are orphans and strangers born out of due time into a world of mystery.

Children like to think their parents are perfect. And they ought to be. But sometimes they are not. It is not because they don't want to be but just because no one is. When we bury our parents, we recognize their humanness along with their love, and we decide to love them all the more.

All of us know that life is good, beautiful and precious. However, we need to also realize that life's failures are just as important as all of our successes. But there is something sacred and timeless, something that never fails. Our God takes all of our failures in hand and makes them whole. To experience and know His presence in our failures gives us the courage to go on.

We learn obedience from the things we suffer along the way. We learn how to die to our selfishness and sin and finally let go and leave the mystery of life to our loving God. That is how we are transformed into the likeness of the one we profess to love.

Hay muchas personas que nunca han tenido una experiencia de Dios en sus vidas. Tal vez sea porque consideran que la vida es un problema que hay que resolver y no un misterio para vivir. Tal vez están demasiado ocupados para salir adelante, ganar dinero y gastarlo. Tal vez están demasiado satisfechos con las cosas como están y no quieren ningún tipo de cambio.

Hoy escuchamos acerca de la transfiguración del Señor. Jesús lleva a sus amigos, Pedro, Santiago y Juan, a una montaña alta. Allí Él se transfiguró ante sus ojos. Fue una experiencia máxima para ellos. Comenzaron a darse cuenta y aceptar lo que Jesús era, que sufriría, moriría y resucitaría al tercer día. Peter por primera vez se quedó sin palabras. Ahora, ellos sabían; a través del sufrimiento y la muerte, a través del fracaso hay vida nueva, la promesa de la salvación. Pensamos en la transfiguración de Jesús como un triunfo de la gloria, pero hay más. Jesús aceptó su fracaso final, su muerte en una cruz. Para él los dos iban de la mano: primero la muerte y luego la gloria.

Cuando su familia pensó que había perdido la razón, se encontró con nuevos amigos. Cuando la gente de la ciudad natal rechazó Sus palabras, se fue a otras ciudades. Cuando esas personas se negaron a aceptar lo que Él dijo y quién era, lo entregaron a los romanos para que lo crucificaran. Luego se fue "a casa" a Su Padre. Jesús aprendió la obediencia de las cosas que sufrió.

También sería bueno para nosotros si aprendiéramos la obediencia al aceptar los hechos duros de la vida a partir de las cosas que sufrimos. Sería bueno si aprendiéramos a aceptar el fracaso como una parte necesaria de la vida en lugar de sorprendernos o tratar de encontrar una solución fácil. Pero nunca llegaremos a un acuerdo con estas fallas menores hasta que reconozcamos y aceptemos el fracaso de la muerte.

Todos sabemos que tarde o temprano vamos a morir. Pero pretendemos que no sucederá por un largo tiempo. Separamos la muerte de la vida misma. Cada año nos acerca a la tumba. Tenemos miedo a la muerte e intentamos hacer algo eterno. El amor es para siempre lo decimos y lo es. Pero a veces no lo es. Tal vez no era amor después de todo. Quizás el amor acaba de morir.

Nos gusta pensar que nuestros hijos nos consolarán en nuestra vejez, que continuarán con nuestro nombre y todo lo que hemos trabajado. Y deberían, pero a veces no. Tal vez no es su culpa. Es porque todos nosotros somos huérfanos y extraños nacidos fuera de tiempo en un mundo de misterio.

A los niños les gusta pensar que sus padres son perfectos. Y deberían ser. Pero a veces no lo son. No es porque no quieran ser sino porque nadie lo es. Cuando enterramos a nuestros padres, reconocemos su humanidad junto con su amor y decidimos amarlos aún más.

Todos sabemos que la vida es buena, bella y preciosa. Sin embargo, también debemos darnos cuenta de que los fallos de la vida son tan importantes como todos nuestros éxitos. Pero hay algo sagrado y atemporal, algo que nunca falla. Nuestro Dios toma todos nuestros fallos en la mano y los hace completos. Experimentar y conocer su presencia en nuestros fracasos nos da el coraje para seguir.

Aprendemos la obediencia de las cosas que sufrimos en el camino. Aprendemos cómo morir a nuestro egoísmo y pecado y finalmente dejamos ir el misterio de la vida a nuestro Dios amoroso. Eso es como tú y yo somos transformados a la semejanza de aquel a quien profesamos amar.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 6:30 pm K-6 Religious Education (CHLL)
- 7:00 pm Lenten Evening Prayer (HC)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 6:00 pm Lenten Mass (CH)
- 6:30 pm The Light Is On For You - Confessions (CH)
- 6:30 pm High School MOHO (YC)
- 6:30 pm YM Passion Gospel Rehearsal (CH)

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)
- 7:00 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Practica (KD)
- 7:00 pm Taller de Oración y Vida (STJ)
- 7:00 pm Adult Confirmation Preparation (DGN2)
- 7:30 pm Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

- 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper & Talk (PCW)
- 6:00 pm Rosaria, Misa, y Via Crucis (HC)
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (CH)

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

- 8:00 am Entrenamiento: FDLF Catequistas (PCW)
- 8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo C (HC)
- 9:00 am Entrenamiento: Formación de Oración (SAR)
- 9:30 am Lector Formation - Team C (CH)
- 6:00 pm Grupo de Oración (DGN/STJ/OLCC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 4 | LENT III

- 9:30 am 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/BR/YC)
- 4:00 pm Family Formation (PCW/LR/BR/CHLL)
- 6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (YC)
- 6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Práctica de Banda (LR1)

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

3rd Sunday of Lent /

3^{er} Domingo de Cuaresma

March 3/4, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

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|----------------|------|-----------------------------|
| Sat., 5:00 pm | (CH) | Fr. Agustin Mateo |
| 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 |
| Sun., 11:00 am | (CH) | Fr. Agustin Mateo |
| Sun., 1:00 pm | (CH) | Fr. Agustin Mateo (español) |

Scriptures:

Ex. 17:3-7 / Rom. 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn. 4:5-42 (Cycle A Readings)

Bread Bakers: Group 9 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team C

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

† *Deceased* * *Living*

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|------------|----------|------------------------------|
| Mon., 2/26 | 8:30 am | † Melinda Fritts |
| Tue., 2/27 | 8:30 am | † Emmanuel Porcalla |
| Wed., 2/28 | 8:30 am | † Loved Ones of Stephen Burt |
| Thu., 3/1 | 8:30 am | † Michael Ross |
| Fri., 3/2 | 8:30 am | * Lynn Aminzadeh |
| Fri., 3/2 | 7:00 pm | † Maria Balderrama |
| | | † Raul Suarez |
| | | † Yanira Mancia |
| | | † Maria Teresa Sanchez |
| | | † Carlos Weill |
| | | † José Carlos Yanguas |
| Sat., 3/3 | 5:00 pm | † Murray Tuel |
| Sun., 3/4 | 7:30 am | * James Beatty |
| Sun., 3/4 | 9:00 am | † Gary Dale Zimmerman |
| Sun., 3/4 | 11:00 am | * Carmen Harb |
| Sun., 3/4 | 1:00 pm | † Agenor Pacheco Vera |



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

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Maria Alcivar, Cliff Arsenault, Maria Bruckner, Maddie Cabatic, José Camargo, Danna Cevallos, Richard Scott Daw, Matteo DeAngelo; Lyn Dibble, Linda Edgeman, Jose Escalante, Aurora Fonseca, Ann Gradowski, Marta Guerrero, Gregory Hanks, Paige He, Elsie Hebert, Carolina Kline, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Delfina López, Linda Markle, Hernan Martinez, Priscila Martinez, Jennette Mattero, Josie Mattero, Erin Mauer, Rosalyn McCarthy, Virginia Mendoza, Son Nguyen, Paulina Orellana, Rafael Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Mimi Paylin; Evelia de Peralta, Bob Quinlan, Maggie Quinlan, Martha Ramos, Anthony Reid, Bunny Roncevic, Ovidio Sanchez, Patricia Sattalo, Etmonia Sawyer, Fernando Servantes, Peggy Smith, Luzmila Tacuri, Valentin Umanzor, Adela Valderrama, William Valentine, and Amy Williams.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Barry Andrews, friend of Maria Riekhof; Cornelia Domingues, mother of Diana Domingues; Louis P. Domingues, father of Diana Domingues; Maricel Sajonas; Tyler Terry; and the victims in the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.



WORSHIP / ADORACION

THE RITE OF ELECTION

A number of our adults and teens have been preparing for the reception of sacraments at the Easter Vigil through the process called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). RCIA is designed for adults and children of catechetical age who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, conscious and freely seek the living God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts. By God's help they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time will receive the sacraments fruitfully. The initiation of catechumens is a gradual process that takes place within the community of the faithful. This journey includes not only the periods for making inquiry and for maturing... but also the steps marking the catechumens' progress, as they pass from one stage to the next in the process of becoming a Christian. Last week we celebrated the Rite of Sending in anticipation for The Rite of Election, which is celebrated this Sunday at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, with others from around the archdiocese. This is the second step in the process and is celebrated at the beginning of Lent. It marks the beginning of the final period of preparation, the time of purification and enlightenment. This is a more intense spiritual preparation in anticipation of the celebration of the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. Please keep our elect (formerly known as catechumens) and candidates in prayer through this intense period of preparation.

PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Wed., Mar. 20, in the Church.

Family Service - 5:00pm

Bilingual Service - 7:00pm

All are welcome at these communal celebrations, which also offer the opportunity for individuals to receive the Sacrament of Penance with confessors (available in a variety of languages, including ASL).

SERVICIO DE RECONCILIACIÓN BILINGÜE

Miercoles, 20 de marzo, 7:00pm, en la Iglesia.

Todos son bienvenidos a esta celebración comunitaria, que también brinda la oportunidad para que las personas reciban el Sacramento de la Penitencia con confesores.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU: EXPERIENCE GOD'S MERCY

Experience God's loving mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Lenten Confession Schedule:

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm, Church

Saturdays, 4:00-4:30pm, Church

Sundays, 10:00-11:00am, Church

Sundays 2:15-3:15pm, Church

NOTE: During Lent, there are no confessions on Thursday evenings.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

Tuesdays of Lent, 7:00pm, Historic Chapel

LENTEN EVENING MASS

Wednesdays of Lent, 6:00pm, Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent, 7:00pm, Church

2018 Annual Jubilarian Mass

Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate this annual Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sun., June 17, 2018 at 2:00pm, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please submit names by Mon., April 13 to Mary Carey, mcarey@strose.com.

Misa Annual de Jubileo Matrimonial 2018

El Cardenal Wuerl estará presidiendo la misa anual para celebrar a las parejas que están conmemorando 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 o más años de matrimonio el domingo 17 de junio del 2018 a las 2:00pm, en la Basílica de la Inmaculada Concepción. Para inscribirse contacte a Mary Carey, mcarey@strose.com, antes del lunes 13 de abril.

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD



HELPING HURTING TEENS

Fri., Mar. 2, 7:00pm, St. Peter's Parish, 2900 Olney Sandy Spring Rd., Olney. All parents, catechists and youth ministry volunteers are invited this event featuring Roy Petifilis, a former youth minister and current clinical therapist who works with adults and teens. You'll leave this session with a better understanding of teen issues and with a clearer understanding of the critical role you can play in pastorally caring for today's hurting teens. INFO: www.strose-parish.org/parent-resources

LENTEN FISH FRY DINNER

Fri., Mar. 9, 5:00-7:30pm, Woodlands Room. Join our Knights of Columbus for this meal of Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Green Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Fruit Cocktail, Iced Tea & Lemonade. TICKETS: Available after the 9:00 and 11:00am Masses on Sun., Mar. 4, and at the door. COST: \$10/Adult, \$6/Child, \$25/Family.



O.W.L.S. ST. PATRICK'S LUNCHEON

Tues., Mar. 13, 12:00pm, Duggan Room. Join the Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors (OWLS) for corned beef and cabbage, followed by an Irish sing-along. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Friends are welcome! RSVP: Linda LeBlanc, stroseowls@gmail.com or 301-963-1269

SERVICE / SERVICIO



INTERGENERATIONAL LENTEN ACTIVITY

Sun., Mar. 18, 4:00-5:30pm, Woodlands Room. Join us for Catholic Charities' Cup of Joe Program! We'll assemble 2000 meal kits for the homeless in the DC Shelters. The whole family can enjoy this activity, while learning about and serving those who are on the margins! INFO: Sherry Moitoza, smoitoza@strose.com

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE: MARCH 10/11

Help support St. Martin's Food Pantry, which serves local families in need. Donation bags will be distributed after Masses next weekend, Mar. 3/4. ITEMS MOST NEEDED: pasta sauce, meals in a can (stew, chili, etc.), canned fruit, Similac baby formula (blue label), baby cereal, and disposable diapers (sizes 4, 5 and 6). DROP OFF: Mar. 10/11, before/after Masses, at the truck in the upper parking lot.

MCCH WELCOME KIT COLLECTION

Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless (MCCH) provides Welcome Kits for clients being placed in permanent housing. Our St. Rose Outreach Committee has agreed to provide three kits this month. Lots of donations are needed. Please visit the St. Rose website for the link to Sign Up Genius. DONATIONS DROP OFF: This weekend, Feb. 24/25, after all Masses, in the Church Foyer.

Cycle B

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today
Second Sunday of Lent | Mark 9:2-10

Peter, James & John went up the mountain with Jesus, and saw Elijah and Moses, who lived long ago, appear with Jesus in a blinding, dazzling light.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is My Son, whom I love. Listen to Him." Mark 9:7

Give us New Life, O Lord.

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for _____

This week I will give up/do without _____

This week I will do this act of love/good deed _____

(Sundays optional)

BIBLE WORD SEARCH Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Peter	Elijah
James	Moses
John	Appeared
Jesus	Cloud
Mountain	Voice
Transfigured	Listen
Dazzling	Love

T	B	G	M	O	U	D	T	R	I	N	S
D	A	N	U	M	O	U	N	T	A	I	N
A	L	I	S	T	E	N	A	M	P	P	H
L	P	L	J	P	R	E	T	E	P	D	O
I	E	Z	T	V	N	E	R	I	E	J	J
S	J	Z	D	U	O	L	C	V	A	J	U
T	R	A	N	S	F	I	G	U	R	E	D
E	E	D	M	I	M	J	C	P	E	S	P
N	L	O	V	E	L	A	Z	E	D	U	O
K	M	O	S	E	S	H	E	S	U	S	U

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

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QUESTION: Why did Jesus have to die to save us from our sins?

ANSWER: The question of how the sacrificial death of Jesus can save us from our sins has vexed thinkers throughout the ages. *That* Jesus' death on the cross effects our salvation is a truth affirmed by the Catholic faith and articulated in the Nicene Creed. But *how* Jesus' death saves us is not defined explicitly. For a sense of the problem, one can read Fr. Jacques Servais' interview with Pope Benedict (25 October 2015) in which the pope discusses the challenges presented by St. Anselm's theory of the meaning of the cross.

The question, however, is not entirely fruitless. There are at least two important things that can be said about atonement and the cross. The first thing is that, at the last supper, Jesus intimately connects his coming death on the cross and the Jewish Passover sacrifice. There is something deep within us that feels the necessity of repairing damage after doing something wrong or after hurting someone. Often, there is an instinctive desire to give something – a small sacrificial gift – to the person who was hurt in order to show our sorrow and heal theirs. Although God has no need of sacrificial animals, the offering of something of value to God functions as a symbol of our sorrow. The sacrificial offering, in turn, actually serves as medicine for the soul of the one offering the sacrifice. As such, Jesus, becomes humanity's ultimate sacrifice for sin. This is why the Mass is seen as an "unbloodied sacrifice."

The second dimension to consider is that of love. When Jesus hangs on the cross and, later, "descends into hell," he enters into the limits of "God forsakenness." He enters into the realm of pain and suffering and brings love to that place. To love is to sacrifice oneself: "to will the good of the other as other." When we work for the true good of another, especially when it costs us, we participate in Christ's cross and cooperate in repairing the wounds of sin in our lives.



EDUCATION / EDUCACION

ST. ROSE SUMMER CAMP

SHIPWRECKED - Rescued by Jesus!

July 23-27, 9:00am-12:00pm

COST: \$50/camper

Includes snack, daily craft and CD of camp music!

Discount for volunteering for the week!

REGISTRATION: <https://strose-parish.org/>

INFO: strosesummercamp@gmail.com

HEY, HIGH SCHOOLERS - YOU'RE INVITED!

Sat., Mar. 3, 9:00am-6:00pm, at Catholic University of America's Pryzbyla Center. Looking to get away for the day to reconnect with friends, meet new people, and learn more about yourself and God? Join St. Rose Youth Ministries for this Archdiocesan High School Rally with faith filled talks, great music, worship and breakout sessions. Adult volunteers are also needed (must meet all Child Protection compliance requirements). INFO & REGISTRATION: www.strose-parish.org/high-school-rally

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? NEED SACRAMENTS?

Come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, 240-454-5312 or cjeffrey@strose.com

SPEND MORE TIME WITH SCRIPTURE!

- ▶ *At Home with The Word*: Available from the office (\$8).
- ▶ *Magnificat*: Order online at <http://us.magnificat.net>.
- ▶ *Daily Readings Email*: Sign up at <http://www.usccb.org>.
- ▶ *FORMED.org*: Parish Code: QD4Q28.

LENTEN RETREATS & RESOURCES ONLINE:

- ▶ *Ignatian Center Edinburgh*: <https://tinyurl.com/retreat-UK>
- ▶ *Creighton Univ.*: <https://tinyurl.com/retreat-creighton>
- ▶ *Loyola Press*: <https://tinyurl.com/Retreat-LoyolaPress>
- ▶ *Formed.org*: Parish Code QD4Q28. Daily Lent reflections, videos, podcasts, ebooks, and more.
- ▶ *Catholic Apostolate*: <https://tinyurl.com/Lentresources>

STUDENT LENTEN PILGRIMAGES TO THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY

Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, 1400 Quincy St., NE, Wash., DC. Students and their families are invited to take a guided tour of the church, the replica Tomb of Christ and catacombs, and pray the Stations of the Cross (indoors or in the gardens). Each student will receive a certificate of participation with a blessing. Reservations are required for these pilgrimages. The monastery is the U.S. home of the friars who have cared for the sacred shrines and Christians in the Holy Land for 800 years. INFO & REGISTRATION: www.myfranciscan.org or 202-526-6800



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SPECIAL COLLECTION: CHURCH IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

Feb. 24-25. This collection is directed toward the Church in Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, and Africa. It supports evangelization, education, social service programs, and church construction and renovation. Please place donations in the specially-marked Poor Boxes.

LENT 2018 - CREATION CARE CALENDAR

The St. Rose Eco-Action Team invites you reflect and act upon this admonition from Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si'*: "We are not God. The earth was here before us and it has been given to us... Each community can take from the bounty of the earth whatever it needs for subsistence, but it also has the duty to protect the earth and to ensure its fruitfulness for coming generations." This Lent we can learn, listen, pray, and advocate for the health and well-being of God's Creation. For a calendar of daily Lenten reflections on creation care, visit <http://justresponse.faith/lent-2018-calendar> or visit the St. Rose website and navigate to the Eco-Action page for a direct link. INFO: Pat Cuff, pmcuff@aol.com

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

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Confirmation Retreat Leaders

Thanks to the adults and young adults who were with our confirmandi at the Confirmation Retreat last weekend. These adults served in countless ways—sharing faith, leading sessions, organizing logistics, and much, much more.