

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

There is no meeting in May. / No hay reunión en mayo.

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:** May 5 & 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:** 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.

JUNE 24, 2018

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



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BULLETIN / CALENDAR / ROOM RESERVATIONS

Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!
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MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL - Grades PreK-8
Michael Friel, Principal -----301-869-0940
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Congratulations to Fr. Justin Huber!

Effective July 5, 2018, Fr. Justin Huber will be leaving us to serve as the Parish Administrator of Our Lady of the Presentation in Poolesville, MD.

We are deeply grateful for his three years of ministry and service to the Lord at St. Rose of Lima! We send him with our prayers for continued grace and many blessings as he embarks on this next stage of his journey.

Please join us in the Woodlands Room after Masses on Sunday, July 1, to thank him for his service and to bid him a fond farewell.



WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR

St. John the Baptist's birth and death are both remembered in the liturgy. Since St. John was conceived six months before Jesus, his birth is celebrated six months before Christmas. The Gospels picture him as calling for repentance and pointing to Christ as the Lamb of God. But there is much about him that we do not know.

He is mentioned in all four Gospels. He spent time in the desert, possibly associated with a strict sect that awaited the imminent arrival of the Messiah and the cleansing that would accompany the Day of the Lord. His preaching attracted huge crowds of people, some of whom became the first disciples of Jesus. In Paul's missionary journeys, he came across people as far away as Ephesus who knew only of the baptism of John. John's call to moral living even to people in power was the cause of his martyrdom. Yet, the Gospel is clear that John's greatest mission was to prepare the way for Jesus.

It is only at the end of his life that we can see the strong man of faith John had become. Herod was politically more powerful than John, but John was a moral giant. If Herod indulged his every appetite, John knew the asceticism of the desert. If Herod feared the opinion of his court and of the people, John boldly spoke the word of the Lord. Herod felt a secret admiration for this courageous man of faith. John was a man with a mission and he let nothing deflect him from that course.

The Church looked into our eyes when we were infants at our baptism. She drew us through the baptismal waters into a new life in Christ. She anointed us with consecrated oil to indicate that we are to be different from others, set apart for our Christian mission. She clothed us with a white garment to indicate our new Christian identity that was to shape everything we do. She gave us a lit candle to represent the flame of faith in our heart that we must constantly fuel.

We are called from birth, given an identity in our mother's womb. We are to be a sharp arrow in God's quiver for Him to use in His good time. Even when we think our efforts produce little, our reward is with the Lord. God has a mission for each of us. Only at death is our missionary call over. The question for us is whether we are faithful to that call.

We can be like Herod, distracted by every unusual breeze and intimidated by every strong wind that comes into our life. Or we can be like St. John, firm in our faith, confident in our mission, and adamant for the truth. The roads of strength or surrender face each of us at the beginning of our life and at each important juncture of our life. We can be strong in the grace of the sacraments we have received, or we can surrender to the prevailing winds.

The promise that was contained in the birth of John the Baptist was fulfilled at his death. The fulfillment of the promise of our baptism, ordination or marriage is still to be decided. If we have surrendered our mission in any way, we can still regain it and change course. We always have the choice of going the way of Herod or the way of St. John. Two roads diverge before us. The one we choose "will make all the difference" — forever.

El nacimiento y el muerte de San Juan Bautista son ambos recordados en la liturgia. Desde que San Juan fue concebido seis meses antes que Jesús, su nacimiento se celebra seis meses antes de Navidad. Los Evangelios lo describen como un llamado al arrepentimiento y señalando a Cristo como el Cordero de Dios. Pero hay mucho sobre él que no sabemos.

Él es mencionado en los cuatro Evangelios. Pasó un tiempo en el desierto, posiblemente asociado con una secta estricta que esperaba la inminente llegada del Mesías y la purificación que acompañaría el Día del Señor. Su predicación atrajo a grandes multitudes de personas, algunos de los cuales se convirtieron en los primeros discípulos de Jesús. En los viajes misioneros de Pablo, se encontró con personas tan lejanas como Éfeso que solo conocían el bautismo de Juan. El llamado de Juan a la vida moral incluso a las personas en el poder fue la causa de su martirio. Sin embargo, el Evangelio es claro en que la mayor misión de Juan fue preparar el camino para Jesús.

Es solo al final de su vida que podemos ver al hombre fuerte de la fe en quien se había convertido Juan. Herodes era políticamente más poderoso que Juan, pero Juan era un gigante moral. Si Herodes satisfacía todos sus apetitos, Juan conocía el ascetismo del desierto. Si Herodes temía la opinión de su corte y del pueblo, Juan habló con valentía la palabra del Señor. Herodes sintió una secreta admiración por este valiente hombre de fe. John era un hombre con una misión y no dejó que nada lo desviara de ese curso.

La Iglesia nos miró a los ojos cuando éramos bebés en nuestro bautismo. Ella nos llevó a través de las aguas bautismales a una nueva vida en Cristo. Ella nos ungió con aceite consagrado para indicar que debemos ser diferentes de los demás, apartados para nuestra misión cristiana. Ella nos vistió con una vestimenta blanca para indicar nuestra nueva identidad cristiana que debía dar forma a todo lo que hacemos. Ella nos dio una vela encendida para representar la llama de fe en nuestro corazón que constantemente debemos alimentar.

Somos llamados desde el nacimiento, se nos da una identidad en el útero de nuestra madre. Debemos ser una flecha filosa en la aljaba de Dios para que Él la use en Su momento propicio. Incluso cuando pensamos que nuestros esfuerzos producen poco, nuestra recompensa es con el Señor. Dios tiene una misión para cada uno de nosotros. Solo al morir es nuestra llamada misionera. La pregunta para nosotros es si somos fieles a esa llamada.

Podemos ser como Herodes, distraídos por cada brisa inusual e intimidados por cada fuerte viento que llega a nuestras vidas. O podemos ser como San Juan, firmes en nuestra fe, confiados en nuestra misión e inflexibles ante la verdad. Los caminos de fuerza o rendición nos enfrentan a cada uno de nosotros al comienzo de nuestra vida y en cada coyuntura importante de nuestra vida. Podemos ser fuertes en la gracia de los sacramentos que hemos recibido, o podemos rendirnos a los vientos dominantes.

La promesa que estaba contenida en el nacimiento de Juan el Bautista se cumplió en su muerte. El cumplimiento de la promesa de nuestro bautismo, ordenación o matrimonio aún está por decidirse. Si hemos entregado nuestra misión de alguna manera, aún podemos recuperarla y cambiar el rumbo. Siempre tenemos la opción de seguir el camino de Herodes o el camino de San Juan. Dos caminos divergen antes que nosotros. El que elijamos "marcará la diferencia", para siempre.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, JUNE 25

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (BR2/STP/STJ/DGN2)

TUESDAY, JUNE 26 | PRIMARY ELECTION DAY



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

10:00 am Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)
6:30 pm HS MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)
6:30 pm Grupo de Apoyo - Renacer (STP)
7:00 pm Support Group for Families of Addicts (STJ)

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00pm (HC)
6:30 pm Protegiendo los Niños de Dios (PCW)
7:00 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Practica (KD)
7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)
7:30 pm RCIA Precatechumenate (STP)

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

6:00 pm Grupo de Oración (DGN/STJ/OLCC)

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)
8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo B (HC)
9:30 am Lector Formation - Team B (CH)
4:00 pm Grupo de Oración Taller (STP)

SUNDAY, JULY 1 | ORDINARY TIME 13

10:00 am Thomas Merton Contemplative Prayer (PAR)
12:30 pm Legion of Mary (JE)
6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (YC)
6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Practica de Banda (LR1)

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time /
13^o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
June 30/July 1, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Justin Huber
Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Justin Huber
Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Agustín Mateo-Ayala
Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Justin Huber
Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Agustín Mateo-Ayala (español)

Scriptures:

Wis. 1:13-15, 2:23-24 / 2 Cor. 8:7, 9, 13-15 / Mk. 5:21-43

Bread Bakers: Group 5

Liturgical Ministers: Team B

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased* * *Living*

Mon., 6/25 8:30 am * Mireille Fleurentin
Tue., 6/26 8:30 am * Edgiwge, Xavier Jr., & Carole Celestin
Wed., 6/27 8:30 am + Deacon Daniel R. Thompson
Thur., 6/28 8:30 am + George Macko
Fri., 6/29 8:30 am + Audrey Kay Conway
Sat., 6/30 5:00 pm + Elsie Hebert
Sun., 7/1 7:30 am + Alberto Medina
Sun., 7/1 9:00 am + Deacon Daniel R. Thompson
Sun., 7/1 11:00 am + Giselda Pratole
Sun., 7/1 1:00 pm + Camila Vasquez

CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

Baptism / Bautismo:

Michael Santore Volz
Valentina Noelle Volz



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

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Louise Adams, Tracy Alfonzo, Michelle Balzer, Carmen Bejarano, Janet Brady, James Butler, Maddie Cabatic, Zoe Carpenter, Danna Cevallos, Mary Ann Deak, Carla Del Carpio; Daniel Downey, Paul Ewing, Allison Fisher, Helene Fuerniss, Jenny Harrell, Johnny Hashempour, Vilma Hernandez, George Herndon, Lola Astete Herrera, Reakha Janus, Ilene Kracov, Jake Landsteiner, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Cindy Loveland, Caren Malone, Bridget Grace Marufu, Josie Mattero, Kevin McCarthy, Neriz Mejia, Michael O'Hara, Helene O'Neil, Gloria Ortwerth, Marca Piehuta, Ana Portillo, Stevie Pruyn, Mehmet R., Lindsey Richards, Bunny Roncevic, David Rose, Gabriela Santacruz, Patricia Sattalo, Janet Sorrells, Selam Teferra, Maria Elizabeth Trejo, Jeanne Tufano, and Amy Williams.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Carlos E. Coton, husband of Maria Coton; Lazaro Escobar, father of Maria Valencia; Catarina Ho Van Han, aunt of Trinh Le; and Richard Emplong Leal, nephew of Wilma Pascual.



WORSHIP / ADORACION

WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH - BE A SPONSOR

A sponsor is an active Catholic who serves as a friend and companion on the journey of faith with an adult preparing for sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist) through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process. They get acquainted, listen, answer questions, pray together, and connect their catechumen or candidate with other parishioners. Sponsors often find their role to be one that enriches and deepens their own faith. It is a very rewarding experience. Sponsors are not expected to have all the answers. Interested? INFO: Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Sun., July 8, 11:00am Mass. This sacrament of healing will be celebrated for those who health is seriously impaired by sickness or advanced age. If you or a family member wishes to be anointed, please contact Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com. If you or a family member are seriously ill or having surgery at some other time during the year, contact the office to arrange for the sacraments.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEEDED

EMs are needed at the 5:00pm, 9:00am and 11:00am Masses. EMs serve on a rotating schedule (once every three weeks). Training is provided. INFO: Mike Ballentine, mike_ballentine_1@msn.com (note underscores)

A REFRESHER ON HOW TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

What a joy it is to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord! Check out this short video for a refresher on how to do so with reverence: <https://bustedhalo.com/video/eucharist>

USHERS NEEDED - COULD THIS MEAN YOU?

There are a number of vacancies in this ministry. We need ushers at the 5:00pm Mass. Ushers serve only once every three weeks. Training is provided. INFO: Carl Pocratsky, cpocratsky@yahoo.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS NEEDED

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursdays in the Historic Chapel. Adorers are especially needed from 12:00-1:00pm and 5:00-6:00pm. INFO: Abigail Morais, amorais327@gmail.com

GOING ON VACATION? BE A "ROAMIN" CATHOLIC!

Visit one of the following websites to find a Catholic Church while away! You'll find church locations, worship times, contact information, website links, maps, and more.

MassTimes.org

CatholicDirectory.com

ParishesOnline.com



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of

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MICHAEL W. FISHER**

Titular Bishop of Tronto
Auxiliary Bishop of Washington

in the presence of

HIS EXCELLENCY

**MOST REVEREND CHRISTOPHE PIERRE
APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE UNITED STATES**

Friday, June 29, 2018

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul
2:00 p.m.

**Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
400 Michigan Ave NE, Washington, DC 20017**

Reception to follow in Memorial Hall

SERVICE / SERVICIO

SAVING LIVES ~ SUPPORTING FAMILIES

Want to be involved in pro-life work? Consider volunteering at the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center as a volunteer counselor. Training is provided, and consists of 8 classes. CLASS SCHEDULE: 6:30-9:30pm, Mon. & Thurs., July 19, 23, 26, 30, Aug. 2, 6, 9, 13. INFO: Jackie Stippich, Executive Director, 301-963-6223

ADAPTIVE ADULT SMALL FAITH GROUP LEADERS NEEDED

The Accommodating Hearts Ministry will start a Small Faith Group for adults who have developmental differences or special learning needs. Several group leaders are needed to facilitate once a month. Our team will take a "field trip" to a parish in southern Maryland on June 25th to learn about their similar program. If you are interested in joining the team or if you know an adult who might be interested in attending this small faith group, please contact Sherry Moitoza: smoitoza@strose.com.



EDUCATION / EDUCACION

2018-19 EDUCACION RELIGIOSA (GRADOS K-6)

► REGISTRACION: Hasta el 27 de Julio. ► CLASES: Sept. 2018 - Abril 2019. ► GR. K-6 (ESPAÑOL): Ivonne Salazar, isalazar@strose.com ► GR. 7-12 (INGLES/ESPAÑOL): Los niños que terminaron 6to grado tienen que registrarse en 7mo grado para hacer su confirmación. Molly Herrera, mherrera@strose.com ► NUEVAS FAMILIAS: Tienen que asistir a la sesión de orientación: 22 de Julio, 11:45am-12:45pm, Salón Woodlands. ► FAMILIAS QUE RETORNAN: Las instrucciones de registro han sido enviadas por correo electrónico a las familias que se inscribieron el año pasado. Regístrese en línea: <https://washingtondc.paritysoftfamilysuite.com>.

2018-19 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION (Gr. K-12)

► REGISTRATION: Until July 27. CLASSES: Sept. 2018 - April 2019 ► PROGRAM INFO: <http://www.strose-parish.org/> under the Faith Formation tab. ► NEW FAMILIES: Parent(s) *must* attend the orientation session: July 22, 12:00pm, Woodlands Room. Enrollment is first-come, first-served. ► RETURNING FAMILIES: Registration instructions have been emailed to previously enrolled families. Register online: <https://washingtondc.paritysoftfamilysuite.com>.

WILL YOU ANSWER THE CALL TO SERVE?

We are seeking faithful individuals to serve as Catechists with our K-6 Family Formation Religious Education. The commitment is minimal (one training & one class per month), but the benefits are numerous! Not only will you be serving the Church, but the monthly adult training session will help you grow in your own faith journey. INFO: Susan Joseph, sjoseph@strose.com; <http://www.strose-parish.org/family-formation>.

PREK4 CLASS NEEDS ONE MORE HELPER - ARE YOU THE ONE?

We would like to offer a PreK4 Little Lambs class this fall. We have the co-leaders! *Now we just need one more adult to assist this dynamic team!* INFO: Susan Joseph, sjoseph@strose.com

ADAPTIVE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHISTS & FAITH MENTORS NEEDED

The St. Rose Adaptive Religious Education Program is growing and we need your help! If you have a heart for young people with special needs and would like to walk alongside them in their unique journey with Christ – Adaptive RE is for you!! NEEDED: adult catechist, adult leaders for the parent group, and TEEN faith mentors. Check out the mini-documentary on the St. Rose Home Page: <https://strose-parish.org/> INFO: Sherry Moitoza, smoitoza@strose.com

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

Email your questions to:
fatherjustin@strose.com



QUESTION: Why is prayer so important in the spiritual life?

ANSWER: In previous articles we have looked at the nature of prayer. Of course, the importance of prayer cannot be overstated in the spiritual life -- but it is useful to think about why it is so important. The first and most fundamental dimension of prayer is that it is one of the primary ways in which we come to experience and know God. This is the essence of prayer and its primary purpose. This is to say that coming to know God is worthwhile for its own sake: Knowing God is valuable, even if it produces no discernable effect – just as knowing a friend is valuable, even if the friendship produces no effect other than the joy of friendship. But, prayer does have many important effects which are worth considering.

One of the most obvious effects is that it gives one a place to come to know oneself. The Second Vatican Council famously said that it is only in Christ that we discover our deepest identity (*Gaudium et Spes*, 22). As we spend time with the scriptures and meditate on the life of Christ, we come to understand that nature and the dignity that we possess as sons and daughters of God. We begin to see ourselves in terms of the place that we occupy in salvation history and the way in which we participate in God's providential care over the world.

At times, in our prayer, we also see the ways in which we fail to live up to our fullest potential. We see the sins and weaknesses that make up a part of our lives. This, too, is an important dimension of prayer. The stunning power of Christianity is that it offers the hope of transformation and healing. It is often only in our prayer that we see God's offer of grace and make the decision to accept it. So often, we can feel overwhelmed by our weaknesses, especially in the spontaneity of the unexpected in life. The quiet and deliberative solitude of prayer offers the space for grace to work its way into the cracks and faults in the soul, providing the way forward and fortifying our hope in the future.

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS DE DIOS:

ENTRENAMIENTO DE VIRTUS EN STA. ROSA DE LIMA

Jueves, 28 de junio de 6:30-9:30pm (llegue a las 6:00pm), Salon Woodlands. Se requiere esta clase para todos los adultos que estan en contacto con niños en la Parroquia. *Usted TIENE que pre-registrarse en línea para atender.* El cuidado de niños no estará disponible. Por favor, no traiga niños. REGISTRACIÓN: www.virtusonline.org

NEW SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILIES OF ADDICTS

Do you have a family member who is struggling with addiction? Do you need support? Come to this new support group, offered on the 4th Wednesday of each month, beginning June 27, 7:00pm, in the St. Joseph Room. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com

DO IT ALL IN JESUS' NAME

Stephen Ministers bring distinctively Christian care to those in need. They use both words and deeds to express Christ's care for others - listening and comforting, calling on the training they have received and employing the tools of faith. If this description fits your personal goals for ministry, consider becoming a Stephen Minister. A training class is starting soon. INFO: Zita Tepie, 301 519-1527

A BEST KEPT SECRET

It's not a really secret garden, but one that has been quietly growing all the while! Our Eco-Action Team has created a twofold gardening experience: a native plant garden in which each variety of native plant is identified, and a Certified Monarch Butterfly Waystation complete with the requisite number of milkweed and succulent plantings. Drop in anytime! Look for the signs hanging at the entrance to the lawn at the back lower parking lot near the Storage Garage. GARDEN TOUR: This Sun., June 24, 3:00-5:00pm. Members of the team will be available with lemonade, cookies, and native gardening tips. For a private tour, contact Pat Cuff at pmcuff@aol.com.



FREEDOM FROM SMOKING®

Mondays, July 16 - August 27, + Thurs., August 9; 7:00-8:30pm, St. Mary's, Rockville. Although the first steps can be hard, finding your path to a smoke-free life is easier with the right help. The American Lung Association's Freedom From Smoking program is a proven way to quit smoking—even if you've tried before and relapsed. This program is FREE. All are welcome. INFO & REGISTRATION: 301-896-2334 or events.suburbanhospital.org

STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD

SPECIAL COLLECTION: JUNE 23/24

The Peter's Pence for the Holy Father Collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy See and its works of charity to those in need. Your gift allows the Pope to respond to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous. Donations may be placed in the specially marked Poor Boxes.

COLECTA ESPECIAL: 23/24 DE JUNIO

La Colecta de Pedro por el Santo Padre nos une en solidaridad a la Santa Sede y a sus obras de caridad a los necesitados. Su donación le permitirá al Papa a responder a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que sufren. Por favor sea generoso.

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

TREASURE / TESORO June 9 - 15, 2018

Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory.....	\$19,663
Direct Debit Offertory.....	\$31,279
Mortgage Reduction.....	\$1,224
Capital Campaign.....	\$406
Direct Debit Capital Campaign.....	\$225
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$132

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box.....	\$2,547
Gaithersburg HELP.....	\$500
Germantown HELP.....	\$250

Financial Fact

We provide a variety of contribution envelopes (Offertory, Debt Reduction, Capital Campaign, Holy Days, Special Collections, Easter and Christmas Flowers, Newcomer, Visitor) to enable us to more accurately record donations. This fiscal year to date, we have spent \$7,045, which includes personalization, postage, return mail postage*, and the envelopes themselves. *If you move, please be sure to send us your new address!

TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO

Children's Liturgy of the Word Leaders

Thanks to the adults who share the Sunday readings with our young children on a level suited to their age and abilities during Mass at the Liturgy of the Word for Children. In so doing, they help our youngsters to understand the meaning of these sacred texts and how they apply to their own lives.