

# 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.

AUGUST 12, 2018

ORDINARY TIME XIX



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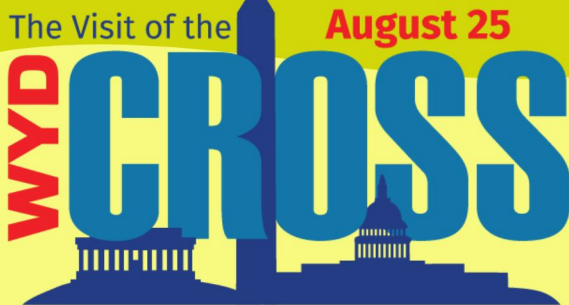
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*Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!*  
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National Mall • Saint John Paul II National Shrine



**INFO & REGISTRATION:**  
[wydcross.eventbrite.com](http://wydcross.eventbrite.com)  
[@jp2shrine](https://twitter.com/jp2shrine) | [#wydcross](https://www.instagram.com/wydcross)

## SCHEDULE

- 9:00am** Procession of the **World Youth Day Cross**, carried by youth and young adults (some from St. Rose!), across the National Mall, beginning at Lincoln Memorial steps.
- 12:15pm** Cross continues its pilgrimage with prayers, veneration, confession, liturgical and cultural activities at the St. John Paul II National Shrine. Praise and worship adoration led by Steve Angrisano.
- 3:30pm** Keynote address by Sister Miriam James.
- 4:30pm** Final Procession of Cross to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.
- 5:15pm** Vigil Mass with the Cross at the Basilica.



## NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

### CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

*Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!*

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 13

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (BR1/STP/STJ/DGN2)

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

11:00 am Documentary about St. Rose of Lima (DGN)

7:00 pm Accommodating Hearts (LR1)

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#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15 | ASSUMPTION OF MARY

8:30 am Mass (HC)

12:15 pm Mass (HC)

6:30 pm HS MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)

6:30 pm Flower of Carmel (DGN2)

7:00 pm Bilingual Mass/Misa Bilingue (CH)

7:00 pm Comité Hispano (LR)

7:30 pm Pax Christi (STP)

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00pm (HC)

7:30 pm Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

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

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

7:00 am FDLF: Retiro de Catequistas (CH/BR)

8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)

8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo C (HC)

9:30 am Lector Formation - Team C (HC)

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 19 | ORDINARY TIME 20

10:00 am Thomas Merton Contemplative Prayer (PAR)

12:30 pm Legion of Mary (JE)

2:00 pm Formación: Ministros de la Eucaristía (DGN)

3:00 pm Comunidad Hispana Celebración (PCW/PCK)

6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (YC)

6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Practica de Banda (LR1)

### LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time /

20<sup>o</sup> Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

August 18/19, 2018

#### Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo-Ayala

Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Tony Krisak

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Tony Krisak

Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo-Ayala

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Oscar Astigarraga (Español)

#### Scriptures:

Prov. 9:1-6 / Eph. 5:15-20 / Jn. 6:51-58

**Bread Bakers:** Group 12 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team C

### MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ Deceased \* Living

Mon., 8/13 8:30 am + Dorothy Speidel

Tue., 8/14 8:30 am + Jutta Evans

Wed., 8/15 8:30 am + David Kari

Thur., 8/16 8:30 am + John Haddad

Fri., 8/17 8:30 am + Sandy Jean Westerman

Sat., 8/18 5:00 pm + Theophilus Aird

Sun., 8/19 7:30 am + Jacinto & Brigida Camomot

Sun., 8/19 9:00 am + Fuming (Dominic) Jih

Sun., 8/19 11:00 am + Kathleen Davis

### CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

#### Matrimony / Matrimonio

Christian Landry Saah Kognou

+ Amelie Christelle Dongmo Megnigue



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

### THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Louise Adams, Zoraida Amado de Parada, Fe Arenasa, Carmen Bejarano, James Butler, Danna Cevallos, Thomas Corea, Mary Ann Deak, Carla Del Carpio, Rosa Dieguez, Terry Fenimore, Allison Fisher, Carolina Garcia, Sharon Gutierrez, Jenny Harrell, Ricky Hermosilla, George Herndon, Sara Huey, Reakha Janus, David Jaramillo, Ilene Kracov, Jake Landsteiner, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Deacon John Liu, Cindy Loveland, Caren Malone, Bridget Grace Marufu, Josie Mattero, Kevin McCarthy, Rosalyn McCarthy, Neriz Mejia, Michael O'Hara, Helene O'Neil, Gloria Ortwerth, Marca Piehuta, Ana Portillo, Nilda Reid, Ana Rojas, Bunny Roncevic, Jeanette Ryba, Gabriela Santacruz, Patricia Sattalo, John Schmitz, Daniela Shook, Peggy Smith, Janet Sorrells, Luzmila Tacuri, Patrick Terry, Maria Elizabeth Trejo, Jeanne Tufano, and Amy Williams.

### THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Rev. Winthrop J. Brainerd, brother of Susan Alain; and Rosa Dieguez, friend of Maria Cristina Peano Tenaglia.

## WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR

We all have days when nothing seems to be right. Frequently, people have weeks that go that way. Sometimes it looks like a whole lifetime is spent with pain, suffering and tragedy of all sorts. There is a mystery about life, suffering, and death that we will never fully understand. Sometimes we murmur and complain. Sometimes we are just plain tired and worn out. We need a rest and a change.

Like Elijah, we would like "to run away and hide." It was no easy task to be a prophet. The people did not listen. He was misunderstood and unappreciated. They drove him out of town. After a day's journey into the desert, he prayed for death. "That's enough, Lord. I can't take it anymore." But God would not let him give up and die. God gave him food and a good night's rest and Elijah was able to travel forty days and nights to the mountain of God. It is there on that mountain that he will meet God, Who will strengthen and encourage him to return to the people who had just rejected him.

With all of our problems and heartaches, it is easy to not appreciate that Elijah's God is also our God. Our God is with us on those days when the sun does not shine, as well as those days of happiness when things are going well. Our God is a God of life, a God of forgiveness, a God of love, a God of peace, justice, mercy and compassion. Our God has begun a good work in us and He will see that good work brought to its completion. That will happen if we are people of faith, who know Jesus as the Bread of Life, who strive to live out those ideals and values that He has given us. We are to bring life to others by our kindness, forgiveness, mercy and compassion. We are challenged to follow the way of love every day.

In St. John's Gospel people come to faith not so much because of what Jesus said and did but because of who He is. Jesus is the pattern and the example of what we are called to be. By eating of the Bread of Life we are nourished and strengthened for all of the trials and tribulations that life can offer. In our communion with Him we bring His good news into the market place of everyday living.

Jesus is our Brother who shows us the Way, evidences the Truth in the way He lived and the Life that knows no limits or bounds. Jesus is the Bread of life and those that eat of this Bread identify with His way of life. It is this Bread of life that will sustain us as we journey to the mountain of our God. You and I are called to be people of faith, whose hope and trust are in the Lord and His ways, who know His love and want to respond by loving others as He has loved us.

As a pilgrim people on our way, St. Paul has some important advice as we travel: "Do nothing to sadden the Holy Spirit." We are to rid ourselves of all bitterness, anger, harsh words and malice of every kind. In place of all these means things we are to bring life to others by our kindness, forgiveness, mercy and compassion. We are challenged to follow the way of love every day.

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Todos tenemos días en los que nada parece estar bien. Con frecuencia, la gente tiene semanas que van por ese camino. A veces parece que todo un tiempo de vida se pasa con el dolor, el sufrimiento y la tragedia de todo tipo. Hay un misterio sobre la vida, el sufrimiento y la muerte que nunca entenderemos completamente. A veces murmuramos y quejamos. A veces estamos simplemente cansados y agotados. Necesitamos un descanso y un cambio.

Como Elías, nos gustaría "huir y escondernos." No fue tarea fácil ser un profeta. La gente no escuchó. Fue malinterpretado y no apreciado. Lo sacaron de la ciudad. Después de un día de viaje en el desierto, oró por la muerte. "Esto es suficiente, Señor. No puedo soportarlo más ". Pero Dios no le dejaría rendirse y morir. Dios le dio comida y una buena noche de descanso y Elías pudo viajar 40 días y noches a la montaña de Dios. Allí, en esa montaña, se encontrará con Dios, quien lo fortalecerá y lo alentará a regresar a la gente que acaba de rechazarlo.

Con todos nuestros problemas y angustias, es fácil no apreciar que el Dios de Elías es también nuestro Dios. Nuestro Dios está con nosotros en aquellos días en que el sol no brilla así como aquellos días de felicidad cuando las cosas van bien. Nuestro Dios es un Dios de la vida, un Dios de perdón, un Dios de amor, un Dios de paz, justicia, misericordia y compasión. Nuestro Dios ha comenzado una buena obra en nosotros y él verá que el buen trabajo trajo a su finalización. Eso sucederá si somos personas de fe, que conocemos a Jesús como el pan de la vida, que se esfuerza por vivir esos ideales y valores que él nos ha dado. Debemos traer la vida a otros por nuestra bondad, perdón, misericordia y compasión. Nos retan a seguir el camino del amor todos los días.

En el Evangelio de San Juan, la gente viene a la fe no tanto por lo que Jesús dijo e hizo sino por lo que él es. Jesús es el patrón y el ejemplo de lo que estamos llamados a ser. Comiendo del pan de la vida, somos nutridos y fortalecidos para todas las tribulaciones que la vida puede ofrecer. En nuestra comunión con él traemos sus buenas noticias al mercado de la vida cotidiana.

Jesús es nuestro hermano que nos muestra el camino, evidencia la verdad en la forma en que vivió y la vida que no conoce límites o fronteras. Jesús es el pan de la vida y los que comen de este pan se identifican con su estilo de vida. Es este pan de vida que nos sostendrá mientras viajamos a la montaña de nuestro Dios. Tú y yo estamos llamados a ser personas de fe, cuya esperanza y confianza están en el Señor y sus caminos, que conocen su amor y quieren responder amando a los demás como él nos amó a nosotros.

Como un pueblo peregrino en nuestro camino, San Pablo tiene algunos consejos importantes a medida que viajamos: "no hacer nada para entristecer al Espíritu Santo." Debemos deshacer nos de toda amargura, enojo, palabras duras y malicia de todo tipo. En lugar de todo esto significa cosas que debemos traer la vida a otros por nuestra bondad, perdón, misericordia y compasión. Nos retan a seguir el camino del amor todos los días.

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## WORSHIP / ADORACION

### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Wed., Aug. 15. Mass times are at 8:30am and 12:15pm (English) in the Historic Chapel and 7:00pm (Bilingual) in the Church. Liturgical Ministers are asked to serve. Sign up sheets are in the Church by the liturgical ministry sign-in table, or sign up online: <https://tinyurl.com/Assump2018>

### CARMELITE FORMATION PROGRAM AT ST. ROSE OF LIMA

The Flower of Carmel Lay Carmelite Community invites you to join the Fall 2018 formation program, to begin in September 2018 (day and time to be determined through sign-ups) and to meet monthly at St. Rose. The formation program will introduce you to basic Carmelite spirituality, to help you explore and discern if you are being called to deepen your relationship with God through Carmel. INFO & SIGN UP: <https://flowerofcarmellcc.weebly.com> INFO: Anna Ryan, [ryananna3@gmail.com](mailto:ryananna3@gmail.com)

### AN INVITATION TO ALL ST. ROSE MEN

God calls us all to deeper spiritual formation and fellowship in Him. St. Rose men of all ages are invited to explore this call as brothers, husbands, fathers, and friends, through a weekly formation program, ***That Man Is You***, to begin on Sat., Sept. 15. INFO: Frank Avenilla, [faven44d@gmail.com](mailto:faven44d@gmail.com)

### GREETERS NEEDED

Do you like to say hello with a smile? Join the Greeter Ministry! Welcome your brothers and sisters to Mass, hold the door for an elderly person or a mom with children. Several slots need to be filled; there is a critical need at the 5:00pm Mass. Training is provided. Greeters serve once every three weeks. This is a great ministry for families to do together. INFO: Linda LeBlanc, [linda.anne.leblanc@gmail.com](mailto:linda.anne.leblanc@gmail.com)

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS NEEDED

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursdays in the Historic Chapel. Spend an hour with the Lord! Adorers are especially needed from 12:00-1:00pm and 5:00-6:00pm. INFO: Abigail Morais, [amorais327@gmail.com](mailto:amorais327@gmail.com)

### WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH - BE A SPONSOR

A sponsor is an active Catholic who serves as a companion on the journey of faith with an adult preparing for sacraments of initiation through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process. They get acquainted, listen, answer questions, pray together, and connect their catechumen or candidate with other parishioners. Sponsors often find that their own faith is enriched and deepened. Sponsors are not expected to have all the answers. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, [cjeffrey@strose.com](mailto:cjeffrey@strose.com)



### JOIN ST. ROSE MUSIC MINISTRY!

► ADULTS: If you have been thinking about joining music ministry as an instrumentalist, cantor, or adult choir member, now is the time! Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings. The choir serves at one Mass each weekend, rotating Mass times (5:00pm, 9:00am, 11:00am). INFO: Remi Bauer, 301-948-7545 x235 or [rbauer@strose.com](mailto:rbauer@strose.com)

► YOUTH & CHILDREN: All musical young people are invited to join us as a singer and/or instrumentalist in the Celebration Choir (Grades K-1), the Children Love Christ Choir (Grades 2-7), or the Teens Love Christ Choir (Grades 8-12)! Rehearsals are on Sunday afternoon/evening, once every 3 weeks. Choirs serve at Mass on the Team B rotation. INFO: Jeannie Vanover, 240-506-0258 or [jdowneyvanover@gmail.com](mailto:jdowneyvanover@gmail.com)

## SERVICE / SERVICIO

### SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION: JULY 21 - SEPT. 9

Help St. Rose donate new school supplies to several local schools through coordination with the City of Gaithersburg. Pick up a few extra items when shopping for your family and drop off in the collection boxes in the church foyer. NEEDED: pencils, pens, crayons, markers, highlighters, spiral notebooks, 3 ring binders, loose-leaf paper, pocket folders, scissors, glue sticks, rulers, protractors, compasses, erasers, pencil cases, etc.



### 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. 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](mailto:smoitoza@strose.com).

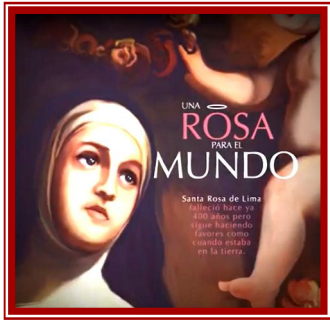
### MONTGOMERY COUNTY COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS

#### BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Tues., Aug. 28, at Faith United Methodist Church, 6810 Montrose Rd., Rockville. This Back to School Fair serves over 300 children who are no longer homeless, thanks to MCCH's permanent housing programs! Lots of hands are needed to set up, run games and activities, distribute backpacks, serve food, and clean up. SSL hours are available for High School students. INFO: Lynn Rose, [volunteer@mcch.net](mailto:volunteer@mcch.net)



## EDUCATION / EDUCACION



### UNA ROSA PARA EL MUNDO:

A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT

THE LIFE OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA

Tues., Aug. 14, 11:00am-12:30pm and 7:00-8:30pm, in the Duggan Room. Film is in Spanish, but English narration will be provided. FREE. All are welcome.

### ADAPTIVE RE CATECHISTS & FAITH MENTORS NEEDED

This 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](mailto:smoitoza@strose.com)

### WILL YOU ANSWER THE CALL TO SERVE?

All Sunday Catechist openings have been filled - thank you! Tuesday Catechist spots remain, so please consider serving (along with a Co-Catechist) in a small group classroom

environment. The commitment is minimal (1 training + 1 class / month), but the benefits are numerous! BONUS: Tuition discount if you have a child in Religious Education. INFO: Susan Joseph, [sjoseph@strose.com](mailto:sjoseph@strose.com); <http://www.strose-parish.org/family-formation>.

### INTERESTED IN VIDEOGRAPHY/VIDEO-EDITING? WANT TO LEARN?

Adults 18+ years are invited to come be a part of the Family Formation Technical Team led by Alan Phillipon, an expert in the field of videography. Bring your talent, and come to learn, serve, and have fun as we capture the special moments of the monthly Family Formation sessions! Contact Susan Joseph, [sjoseph@strose.com](mailto:sjoseph@strose.com).



### CLASES DE COMPUTACIÓN E INGLES

Si usted está interesado en tomar clases, el Centro Gilchrist ofrece varias clases. Algunas de ellas son: Introducción a la Computación, MS Office, MS Word, Internet, E-mails, y clases de Inglés como segunda lengua. Este centro tiene oficinas en Gaithersburg y en Germantown. Si le gustaría obtener las fechas y las horas y más servicios que ofrece este centro, por favor revise el sitio web: [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/gilchrist](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/gilchrist) o llame al 240-777-4960.

## FROM FATHER OSCAR...

Email your questions to:  
[fatheroscar@strose.com](mailto:fatheroscar@strose.com)



Hello, St. Rose's flock!

This week I decided to write on the experience I had with our English speaking and Spanish speaking Legion of Mary groups at St. Rose. It was a great experience because they are devoted to Mary in different ways. I met with the English group at Church. I met the Hispanic group at the house of one of the members to enthrone the Sacred Heart of Jesus image on the wall. Both of the groups had a great devotion to the Virgin Mary and her Son Jesus. These events brought me good memories of my teenage years with the Virgin Mary.

There is no doubt that the Virgin Mary was behind my vocation to the priesthood. In my deepest rebellious years in high school, I went to a pilgrimage in the year 2000 to the biggest Shrine we have in Paraguay, "Virgen de Caacupe." During that pilgrimage with the youth of the Neo-Catechumenal Way, I met a priest who helped me immensely to reconcile with my parents, brothers, and sisters in my family. It was hard for me to obey my parents in staying away from the worldly temptations at school. It was amazing that just during those years, I met this priest from the Neo-Catechumenal Way who guided me spiritually. The pilgrimage to the Virgin Mary was the starting point and context for this encounter. For this reason, I am sure that the Virgin Mary was fundamental in my vocation towards the priesthood and for my future life as a presbyter. She, as my mother, will show me the way to her Son Jesus Christ. I am sure that my close relationship with her will never get me lost. So, she is my spiritual GPS in my ministry!

Have a great week, everyone!

*Father Oscar*

 **COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD****WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT BEING A REGISTERED MEMBER?**

If you have not registered as a member, consider doing so! Also, please encourage your adult children who were formerly registered in your family household to register as adults with their own membership record.

**Registering is important because:**

- Parishes are better able to adequately serve the needs of all, including singles, divorced or young families.
- It is easier to arrange for the services of the Church (i.e., weddings, Baptisms or funerals) when registered.
- Registered parishioners receive helpful information about and special notifications from the parish.

To register, attend a Newcomer's Orientation, held on 2nd Sundays at 12:00pm (Spanish) and 12:15pm (English).

**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, 7:00pm, in the St. Joseph Room. NEXT MEETING: Aug. 22. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, [cjeffrey@strose.com](mailto:cjeffrey@strose.com)

**MARY OF NAZARETH SCHOOL COTILLION PROGRAM**

This program offers an introduction to ballroom dancing and social grace training for 8th grade boys and girls. Students learn basic dance steps and etiquette skills from professional instructors in 5 sessions. Standard of dress is required. SESSIONS: Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29, and Oct. 6, 6:30-8:30pm, Mary of Nazareth School, 14131 Seneca Road, Darnestown. FEE: \$200. REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sept. 5, 2018. INFO: [lpayne-abreu@maryofnazareth.org](mailto:lpayne-abreu@maryofnazareth.org)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

FIESTA IS SAT., SEPT. 29

**CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!**

Fiesta is on Saturday, Sept. 29! If you sew, crochet, knit, make jewelry, do stamping or any crafting, we'd appreciate donations of your handmade creations for the Country Store. INFO: Erin Raedeke, [erinraedeke@gmail.com](mailto:erinraedeke@gmail.com) or 202-329-8727

**IT'S TIME TO START CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS & ATTIC!**

Fiesta will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29. Now is the time to start looking in your closets, attic or basement to gather your donations of clean, gently-used clothing, household items and toys for the Fiesta Flea Market! (REMINDER: Books are no longer collected for Fiesta. There will be a Book Nook Sale: January 3-5, 2019.) Information about drop-off dates and times for your Fiesta Flea Market donations will be published as Fiesta draws near.

**STEWARDSHIP /  
CORRESPONSABILIDAD****TRAITS OF DISCIPLESHIP****GIVING PRAISE & THANKS**

A disciple prays alone and with others.

A disciple celebrates the sacraments—especially the Eucharist.

**LEARNING & GROWING**

A disciple spends time with the Word of God through reading, prayer, and study.

A disciple continues to grow by learning how to demonstrate one's faith in daily living.

**SERVING**

A disciple gratefully acknowledges and uses one's gifts to bring joy and hope to others and to become who God created one to be.

A disciple continues the mission of Jesus by serving others—especially the last, the lost, the least, and the lonely.

**THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!****TREASURE / TESORO** July 28 - August 3, 2018**Your Gifts to the Lord**

Offertory.....	\$19,046
Mortgage Reduction .....	\$972
Capital Campaign.....	\$150
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$114

**Our Weekly Tithe**

Parish Poor Box.....	\$952
Germantown HELP.....	\$250

**Financial Fact**

Planning ahead for your final arrangements is very helpful for your loved ones. If you would like to learn about purchasing a gravesite, cremation site, or columbarium niche in our St. Rose Cemetery, please visit our website or contact our Cemetery Managers at [cemetery@strose.com](mailto:cemetery@strose.com).

**TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO****Summer Food Drive Organizers & Donors**

Thanks to the volunteers who organized and executed the Food Drive on July 21/22, and to all who donated non-perishable food items! This Food Drive helps to feed the many local needy families who visit St. Martin's Food Pantry, and makes a huge difference during summer months when children are out of school.