



St. Rose of Lima
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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17 February 2019 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C)

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Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
(Summer hour changes noted inside)
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www.strosepdx.org
Bulletin deadline is 12:00 noon on Wednesday.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 am
Mass for Persons with Disabilities: Currently Mass at
The Grotto 1st Sunday of the Month, 12:30 pm
Daily: Monday - Saturday Mass: 8:00 am
Holy Days: Masses at 8:00 am and 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS / ADORATION

Saturday 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Sunday at 7:30 am, in the
church, daily 7:30 am, or at other times by appt.
Adoration: Tues/Sat. Daily 6:30 – 7:30 am

ST. ROSE SCHOOL

5309 NE Alameda St.
Portland, OR 97213
Phone: 503-281-1912 Fax: 503-281-0554
Grades Pre-K through 8
Principal: Mrs. Christine Penwell,
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ADMIN COUNCIL:

Dave Castricano, Phill Colombo, John Cooper, Sean
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Ratigan, Stephanie Rice, and Joseph Ruthruff

SERVICES

St Vincent de Paul Society 503-235-8431

SACRAMENTS

Preparation for Baptism, first Reconciliation, first
Communion, and Confirmation. Contact the office for
personal or family needs for Anointing of the Sick.
Couples seeking information about Marriage please
contact the parish office well in advance of the
intended wedding date. Adults looking into the
Catholic faith prepare during Fall and Winter for
reception into the Church at Easter.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Home visitations may be scheduled by calling the
parish office. Communion ministers are available.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February 2019 **Universal: Human Trafficking**

For a generous welcome of the victims of human
trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of
violence.

February 17, 2019
The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C
St. Rose of Lima Parish

Pastor's Keyboard
By: Fr. Matt Libra

Mass Intentions / Parish Activities

Sunday, February 17, 2019

7:30 – 8 am Confessions

8:30 am Mass **For the Parish**

9:30 am – No 1st Communion Class

10:30 am Mass **Int. Paul & Hanh Hansen (Suzanne Belatti)**

Monday, February 18, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 am Mass **+ Anna Pham Mua (Kim Nguyen)**

9:30 am C. Alver choir practice

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 am Mass **+ Fansico Savie Nguyen Phuc Tan (Kim Nguyen)**

10:30 am Rosary in chapel

6:30 pm Youth Choir

6:30 pm NCW in chapel

6:30 pm Scouts in cr/gym

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 Mass **+ Joseph Schesso (Connie Manning)**

7:00 pm C. Alver choir practice

7:00 pm Cub Scouts in ca/gym

Thursday, February 21, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 Mass **+ Peter Pham (Maria Pham)**

Friday, February 22, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 am Mass **+ Joshep Nguyen Thuong (Thuan Pham)**

Saturday, February 23, 2019

7:40 am Morning Prayer in church

8:00 am Mass **Int. Anna Nguyen Dang (Kim Nguyen)**

4 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Vigil Mass **+ Joseph Phan (Maria Pham)**

Sunday, February 24, 2019

7:30 am – 8:00 am Confessions

8:30 am Mass **For the Parish**

9:30 am – 1st Communion Class

10:30 am Mass **+ Liza Tilson (Mai Lan & Thang Tran)**

Sanctuary Lamp in Church burns this week for + Eileen Morgan

Sanctuary Lamp in Chapel burns this week for Int. Morgan/Bennett Family

Please Pray for Us the Sick of the Parish

Cynthia Eubanks, Terry Westom, Virginia Shipp, Floyd Higgins, Sandra Woodruff, Barbara Shipp, Peggy Johnson, Bill Mathias, Peter Tran, Lucille Carich, Ann Johnson, Bridget Rowley, Bill Thompson, Annie Schmidt, Martha Daggett, Brian McNicholas, Hayden McGarvie, Sammy McLaughlin, Claudette Derricotte, Tim Judge, Rich Gold, Shirley Hill, Brian Brown, Joel Rivera, Brock Herriges, Pete Rowland, Dorothy Fleischmann, Luke Stager (Seminararian), George Zifcak, Sarah Brooks and all others in need of prayers.

What is most important?

“We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us” – 1 John 4:16

As you read this verse from Scripture, think of your relationship with God. Can you say, “Father, I have come to know and believe in the love you have for me”, or is that a question that you don’t know how to answer? Do you desire for you and your family to realize God’s love for you more deeply than you ever have before? Tell Him; He will answer that prayer.

Lent is coming up in a couple weeks, and that is a key time to focus on what is most important. It is a time of saying “I need conversion in my life”, a time of changing our patterns and habits so that we live lives of conversion and come to know and believe in the love God has for us!

Do you want to grow in your relationship with God?

Consider: Giving Sunday’s to God. God gave us the sabbath day of rest because we needed it. He gave it to us so we had *time to be with Him* and in relationship with others. Say “no” to all events that take away from your relationship to God. Don’t do work from home. Tell your kids’ coaches that you won’t attend any practices or games on Sundays because your God and your family are more important. Don’t watch TV or movies. Set aside extra time to spend in silent prayer or read the Scriptures or pray the rosary together. Go on a hike or a bike ride some sort of re-creation. Share stories, talk about important questions. Read a few chapters of a good book. Have dinner as a family or invite some good friends over to share some Christian fellowship. Go to Mass. Focus on relationship, not activity. Watch how God starts to be revealed more in your life.

Do you want to grow in your relationship with your family? Consider: putting down your cell phone.

This one is for the adults. One of the most important gifts you offer your spouse or your children is your *availability*. Sometimes we are so bound by our phones that we are not present to the people we are with. Delete your email app off your phone. Give up social media, games, and apps. Make a point of actively engaging with others. Play an interactive board game. Serve the poor together. Tell people why you love them. Say “thank you” a lot. Risk some vulnerability and talk about important things to your hearts and listen to others.

In the end, three things remain: Faith, Hope, and Love. And the greatest of these is love. Place yourself in a position to come to know and believe in the love God has for us!

OFFERTORY: February 10, 2019 \$5,712 . yielding \$176,077
YTD + WeShare YTD Fiscal = \$59,325 Combined Total \$235,402
YTD versus \$246,246 Fiscal YTD budgeted or (96 %). Thank you for
your generous contributions!

**Next Week: February 24, 2019
7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

During this week, please take time to pre-read the Readings for next
Sunday's Mass from your Bible. This will aid in giving a deeper dimension
and understanding to what we hear proclaimed in the readings.

Reading I: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
(*Saul, jealous of the young David, wants to kill him*)

Responsorial Psalm: 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
(*The Lord is kind and merciful*)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians: 15: 45-49
(*Paul's parallel and contrast between Adam and Christ*)

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 27-38
(*Instead of revenge, we need to show compassion to all*)

PLEASE NOTE: You can get the complete text of readings for any
day of the year at www.usccb.org

**St. Vincent de Paul - St. Rose Conference
February 17, 2019 (The 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

In the Gospel today, Jesus gives us the blessings of
serving the poor, hungry and weeping people, for you will then
rejoice and leap for joy. But Jesus also teaches us the decisiveness
of choice: blessing or woe.

**Choosing to help those who are suffering will fill your
heart with the blessing of Jesus and indeed your reward will be
great in heaven.**

**Our pantry needs canned meats (spam, chicken,
salmon, deviled ham); baked beans; canned corn; canned fruit;
and chicken noodle soup.**

**Thank you for your continued support as we attempt
to provide groceries for 400-699 people each month!**

**If you know of a neighbor or friend needing food
assistance, please refer them to SVDP at 503.235.8431 for help!**

The 2nd collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign
(CCC) is this weekend. Your support helps the CCC connect people
to Christ, in the United States and around the world, through the
Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we
collect remain here in the Archdiocese of Portland to support local
efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message.
Support the collection today! To learn more, visit
www.usccb.org/cc.

**Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the Archbishop's
Catholic Appeal.** During Mass we will watch a video from
Archbishop Sample about the Appeal. If you received a
personalized commitment card in the mail please bring it to Mass
with you as we join together to support our Catholic Church in
western Oregon. If you did not receive a commitment card in the
mail, pledge envelopes will be available during Mass. Please read
the Archbishop's appeal materials you received attached to the
bulletin today and prayerfully reflect on the level of commitment
you will make next weekend. The Archbishop's Catholic Appeal
provides substantial financial support to essential ministries that
support parishes in our Catholic Church in western Oregon. These
programs provide education and faith formation at all levels and
provide a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. Your
pledge is also a sign of your gratitude for God's generous
abundance. While we can never out-do God in generosity, we are
called to join in the mission of the Gospel as we put forth the gifts
of life, goodness and grace through the sharing of our own
blessings from God.

St. Rose School's 2019 Mardi Gras Dinner and Auction will take
place on March 2. All are welcome! Tickets must be purchased by
February 15. See auction.strosepx.org to buy tickets. Thank
you to all who so generously donated items for this great event.

On Monday, February 25th, there will be a special movie about the
life and faith of Sr. Clare Crockett who died in the Ecuador
earthquake in 2016. Sr. Clare was gifted in acting and singing but
her life was changed during a retreat with the Sisters of the Home of
the Mother (the order St. Rose parishioner Sr. Elizabeth Wieck has
joined). **The movie *All or Nothing!*** will be shown at St. Rose on
Monday, February 25th at 10:00 am and 6:30 pm. If you have any
questions, you can email or call Kathie Cooper at 503.348.1571.
or kathiecooper5@yahoo.com

**Everyone is invited to participate in *Opening the
Word*** during Lent this year. This is a program of small, faith
sharing groups that meet weekly to reflect on the upcoming
Sunday readings and deepen their Lenten experience. If you
are interested, there are sign-up sheets at the back of the
church. If you have any questions, you can contact Kathie
Cooper at kathiecooper5@yahoo.com or 503-348-1571.

**Progressive Dinner Save the Date: Saturday May
11th 2019** after the 5:30pm Vigil Mass. If you are willing
to consider hosting appetizers or dinner in your home,
please contact Molly Burtchael for more information. 503
780-5187 or molly.b.4036@gmail.com

**The Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon is seeking applicants for
anticipated principal openings and anticipated teacher opening in
its Catholic schools for the 2019-2020 school year.** Information
about the openings as well as application materials and directions
can be found at this link: [https://schools.archdpdx.org/principal-
position-vacancies](https://schools.archdpdx.org/principal-position-vacancies), or by calling 503- 233-8348.

EM, Lector, & Altar Server Schedule

Thank you to all who faithfully serve our parish!
23/24 February 2019 (7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Next Week: 4 th Week of the Month – Sunday & Saturday before

5:30 PM (Vigil) Saturday (24 February 2019)

L: John Cooper
C: **open**

L: Dianna Cooper
R: **sub for Pat Bellamah**

Altar Servers:

8:30 AM Sunday (25 February 2019)

L: Paul Westby
C: Karen Burlingame
C: **open**

L: Rosemary Westby
C: Anne Nguyen
R: **Laura Altenhofen**

Altar Servers:

10:30 AM Sunday (25 February 2019)

L: Frank Rego
C: Kevin Seed
C: **open**

L: Bridget Rego
C: **open**
R: **Megan Schuver**

Altar Servers:

****Note** We have several open slots for Extraordinary Ministers of the
Holy Eucharist, call the parish office if you are interested in serving. If
you are not scheduled at a particular Mass, but see there is an "Open" slot,
please feel free to come forward and serve.**

****Note** When a visiting Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian is on the altar, we
will need fewer EMs. Thank you!**

Fr. Matt's homilies can be heard on our website under
Resources tab you will find each weekend's homily. Or, you can
go to a direct podcast link:
[https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/st-rose-of-lima-portland-or-
homily-podcast/id1450766655?mt=2](https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/st-rose-of-lima-portland-or-homily-podcast/id1450766655?mt=2)

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If you would like to change your donations from envelope use to online donations, this is a simple process. Go to our website www.strosepdx.org and click on WeShare on the left side/ scroll down on the home page. Or, go directly to www.strosepdx.weshareonline.org. Call the parish office with any questions.

Looking for ways to connect with our parish community? to be involved? to develop friendships? to feel at home? Would you like to play a bigger part in our community? Consider the many volunteer opportunities & Contact the parish office at 503-281-5318. **Volunteers Needed: We are looking for parishioners** who would like to serve as **Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, Readers, Collection Counters, Coffee/Donut hosting, Altar Guild, and for St. Vincent de Paul.** If you would like help in any of these capacities, or others, please call the parish office, 503.281.5318. A background check, CTP training, as well as training for the Ministry will be completed.

St. Rose Nursery

Reminder Parents: St. Rose Nursery is for infants through children 3-years of age and is available starting at 10:15am in the Pre-Kindergarten classroom in the school. Follow stairs (leading to cafeteria) to double doors at the bottom and follow signs to Nursery.



CHOIR NOTES Music provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration and prayer for our St Rose liturgies and special celebrations. Singers and musicians commit to sharing their time and talent. Are you called to join them?

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Interested in being a Catholic? Want help in taking the next step? At St. Rose of Lima, those discerning whether to enter the Catholic Church are asked to commit to attend weekly. Contact the parish office.

During these eight months, attendance at weekly 10:30 Mass Liturgy of the Word will be followed by prayer, discussion and study. We will follow Old and New testaments of *The Bible*, the *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* and other articles and publications

on this schedule:

- * Fall 2018 – Catholics Beliefs (The Creed)
- * Advent 2018 through the Christmas Season 2018 – Catholic Worship (The Sacraments)
- * Lent 2019 – Catholic Living (The Commandments)
- * Days of Reflection (a Saturday during Lent TBA)
- * Easter Vigil (April 20, 2019) Baptism (for those never baptized) or Full Reception into the Catholic Church (for baptized Christians), Confirmation, First Communion
- * Easter Season to Pentecost—Sharing the Easter Experience.

If you're interested, please contact the parish office by phone (503) 281-5318 or e-mail dcooper@strosepdx.org.

Fall Religious Education – 2018

Confirmation: New Fall Calendar for 2018/2019 will be included in the Confirmation Packet, which can be found online at

www.strosepdx.org, Faith Formation, Sacramental Preparation. For more information please contact Laura Altenhofen: laura.altenhofen@gmail.com, 503.780.3537

Sacramental Prep: 1st Communion / 1st Reconciliation Class began on September 16, 2018. **First Reconciliation in December and First Communion in May. See schedule to include new "Youth Sunday" activities.** Registration forms are in the back of church on the counter, and online under "Faith Formation, Sacramental Preparation" at www.strosepdx.org

St. Rose Nursery and Children's Liturgy: Looking for volunteers that can commit to 1 Sunday per month during 10:30am mass. For more information please contact: Marianne Hoonakker-Kelly at (503) 504-6576 or mariannehoonakkerkelly@gmail.com

CCD Religious Education/Youth Sunday CCD Religious Education classes in the Fall for grades 3 – 8, at the "Youth Sundays" Fellowship from 5-7:30pm. This is an opportunity for all youth of the parish to gather for a meal and activity, then break into individual classes to learn more about how to know and love our faith, our God & Neighbor. For more information please contact Jennifer Ratigan: jadratigan@gmail.com

Tech Support: As a Knight of Columbus, I provide assistance to those in need. My parents Dave and Kathie are both active members of St. Rose, and I also wish to serve our parish by offering my technical services to the parish community. I am familiar with most windows operating systems, and mobile IOS and Android platforms. I will be able to assist with new program installations and modifications & troubleshooting; i.e. installing a new printer, or Bluetooth / keyboard connection to a tablet, as well as assistance with antivirus and malware protection. Michael Castricano, Knight of Columbus mjcp parish@gmail.com

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

1/26 West Coast Walk for Life in San Francisco.

Winter holidays are traditionally a time of reflection. Those who have lost children to abortion are reminded of the loss, the regrets, the if-onlys. Decide now that it is time for hope and healing. Why wait any longer to heal? Project Aurora is providing Rachel's Vineyard retreats February 15-17 in Portland and March 15-17 in Medford. The retreat is a safe and compassionate environment! Financial assistance is available. For more information, call 541-942-2861 or email ProjectAurora@aol.com. www.ProjectAurora.org. www.rachelsvineyard.org

As faithful Christians, we have a responsibility to witness to the culture of life! Come out and see how God will use YOU to help mothers and save the lives of unborn children. The "no-show" rate for abortions is as high as 75% when people are present praying on abortion day. Please join us! **40 Days for Life Vigil hours** at Lovejoy Surgicenter are from 7 AM to 7 PM daily. Lovejoy Surgicenter is located at 933 NW 25th Avenue, Portland. If you would like more information, and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Therese Ruesink at 503.997.1884 or ruesinktherese@comcast.net.

Are you single and over age 50? SOLO SENIORS is a catholic-based social organization, for single men and women over age 50 in the greater Portland area. It primarily provides social and recreational programs in a safe and friendly environment for its members. For more information, a Solo brochure or a copy of our monthly newsletter, call Ann Buchholz 503 235-9047.

St. Rose Repeat Announcements



Coffee/Donut Volunteer Opportunities:
There are only 3 Sundays still available for the 2018/2019 year. Sign-Up is in the back of church, or go to our website and sign up online at sign up genius at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUps&search&id=OCCBC9DBF4CAF966&cs=09BOBAAD8FC48B177BOB64765BCF9BC8&sortby=1.title> please check your calendars.... All individuals or families are welcome to sign up. Many opportunities (for families with students at St. Rose School benefitting from Parish subsidized tuition rates), to say **yes** on your school subsidy form that you are involved in Parish activities.

Altar Guild sign-up sheets are also in back of Church.
A Message from the St. Rose Parish Library: Please take a look around your home for any library books that you have read and not yet returned. In addition, consider donating a relevant Catholic book that you have read and want to share with others. The library has accepted dozens of donated books from parishioners and the collection is becoming quite impressive. For questions about donating new or used titles to the library, please contact the parish library volunteer; Todd Rosenquist (503) 869-5077

Check out the St. Rose Library! Through a generous donation, we have new children's books and DVD's. Great way for the whole family to be entertained and learn about our beautiful Catholic Faith and treasured saints.

The Holy Spirit Sisters would like to thank you for your continued support by donating your redeemable cans & bottles. Please continue dropping them off at the back of the Convent across from the parish. **Looking for someone to help with processing and redemption of the donations. Please contact Fred Stovel at 503.799.3225.**

The St. Rose Youth Choir always welcomes new members, and is open to boys and girls 4th grade through high school for 5:30 pm Vigil Mass. If interested, please contact the director, John Vergin at 503.334.9575 or the parish office 503.281.5318

St. Rose Nursery and Children's Liturgy of the Word



* Nursery opens at 10:10. Please drop your child off at the nursery between 10:10 and 10:25.

* Nursery is located in the Pre-Kindergarten classroom at St. Rose School. Follow stairs (leading to cafeteria) to double doors at the bottom and follow signs to Nursery.

* There will be an information & registration sheet for you to fill out and sign. There is No Fee.

* If you are needed during mass, we will come and get you.
 * Immediately after mass please come and retrieve your child.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - What to expect:

* After opening prayer, Fr Matt will invite all school age children from ages 4-11 to the front of church.

* There will be leaders waiting with the Children's Liturgy banner. Children will line up in two groups, 4-7 & 8-11.

* Fr Matt will give a special blessing

* Leaders will lead them to the 2nd & kindergarten classrooms in St. Rose School to learn the liturgy of the Word at their level.

* After Homily, Creed and Intercessions, approximately 20-25 minutes, the children will quietly return to the church and back with you.

Music Opportunities at St. Rose

5:30 pm Vigil Mass: St. Rose Youth Choir: The Youth Choir sings once a month at the **5:30 pm Vigil. We are looking for new singers to join us!** If your child (age 9 and up) enjoys singing, loves music, and would like to learn more about both, while serving our parish through the ministry of music, please call Choir Director, John Vergin at [503-334-9575](tel:503-334-9575), or the parish office.

8:30 am Sunday Mass: "Sing praise to God, sing praise." – Psalm 47. If you enjoy singing at Mass, why not join the **8:30 Mass Choir?** All voices are needed and it only requires about two hours of your time weekly—during one of which, you're already here. Contact Chris Alver, at alver6403@comcast.net

10:30 am Sunday Mass: FOLK GROUP YOUTH CHOIR If you are in second grade or above and enjoy liturgical singing; we hope you'll consider participating! Contact Jean Czuba (jczuba@q.com) for additional details.

The St. Rose Folk Group is actively looking for new musicians to join us. We need a pianist for the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays in addition to singers, guitarists or any other instrumentalists. If interested or if you have further questions, please contact Mary Johnson at 503-288-7851 or come up to the piano after 10:30 Mass.

10:30 am Sunday Mass: FOLK GROUP YOUTH CHOIR If you are in second grade or above and enjoy liturgical singing, we hope you'll consider participating! Contact Jean Czuba (jczuba@q.com) for additional details.

St. Rose Stork Club is the welcoming committee for new babies. If you know of someone with a new addition to their family, spread the word about this fun ministry. The stork club is a wonderful way to meet parishioners and help with the transition of a new little one in your family. We also extend our cooking skills to those experiencing medical problems or other limitations & some prepared meals and a brief visit would be helpful. To join the Stork club or receive meals, please contact Joyce Boyce at joyveboy@yahoo.com, or the parish office 503-281-5318.

St. Rose Book Club next meeting on _____ at 6:30 pm, at Connie Manning's house. Call Connie at 503.288.3618 for questions and details.

Repeat Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

Mother & Child Education Center provides pregnancy testing, classes, clothing and supplies for new mothers. Their goal is to provide a place where new mothers can go for support, so children can be welcomed and nurtured. Go to www.momchildpdx.org for more information.

Looking to start a family? Attempting to conceive? Natural Family Planning has been used successfully by couples to achieve pregnancy. Most think about preventing pregnancy when considering NFP. However, the knowledge learned in NFP can be very useful in understanding a couple's fertility and in helping to improve the chances of becoming pregnant.

www.StandUpGirl.com – Maybe you're pregnant, or worried that you might be pregnant. You feel scared, overwhelmed, alone. Need someone to talk to...someone you can be real with? We're here for you. Women who get what you're going through, because they've lived through it. Women who care and can help. Confidential.

Mother and Child Education Center can always use donations:

Testimony from a Mother & Child Education Center parent: I've been so fortunate to of found this place [Mother & Child]. They always have so much helpful information to share on how to better parent for children and have been extremely generous in helping our family with so many needs. Some of the things that I've been grateful to receive just simply from walking in are: prenatal vitamins, diapers, beautiful handmade blankets, all kinds of nursing supplies such as bras, pillows, and pumping accessories. They picked out great winter clothes for both of my kids and cute little toys to help them grow!

84th ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER - Sunday, Feb. 17, 2019, noon – 6:00 p.m. It's time for St. Ignatius Parish, in SE Portland, to host their biggest & yummiest fundraiser of the year. 10,000 meatballs served! Takeout available, too. Prices vary. Located at St. Ignatius Church gym—3400 SE 43rd Ave. at Powell Blvd. Portland, OR 97206. Please call for more information: 503-777-1491.

Two Day Equipping Retreat: Fr. Cody has invited our parish to join this retreat with them at Holy Family in Kirkland, WA
Do you desire to be equipped to live into the fullness that Christ intended for each of His followers? If so, this Two Day Equipping event, led by Bart Schuchts of the John Paul II Healing Center, is for you! During the training, you will learn the foundations of abiding in Christ, hearing His voice and becoming empowered to pray for others as Jesus did. If you desire to do the works that Jesus did and to live more fully into the calling Christ described in John 14:12, we invite you to attend! **This Two-Day Equipping event takes place at Holy Family Catholic Church in Kirkland, WA on April 5-6th. Register online at www.jp2ihealingcenter.org. Early Registration discount available until February 10th. Online registration closes Saturday, April 6th.** Scholarships available. Contact Lee Burch at jp2@hfkparish.org for more information.

Print March 2 – April 13 St. Rose will be providing Rice Bowls again this year. Lent is a time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Pick-up a Rice Bowl at the back of the church and collect coins throughout the Lenten season. At the end of Lent, you can bring your coins to St. Rose. Any donation you give will help lift families and communities out of poverty.

MARRIED COUPLES

Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD. Trust the Lord to strengthen and enrich your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 12-14, in Powell Butte, Oregon and May 24-26, at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton, Oregon. For more information call 503-853-2758 or apply on-line at www.rediscoverthespark.org. Additional dates and locations are listed on-line.

Annual Offertory Envelope Boxes for 2019 (if you have not already picked up your box), check in with the parish office. If you would like to change your donations from envelope use to online donations, this is a simple process **“Save Time and Donate Online!” Online Giving is available for parishioners** with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. Visit the website below and make your payment. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit <http://strosepdx.weshareonline.org>, or go online to our website at www.strosepdx.org, and click on the We Share link. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call the Parish office.