

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: **2019:** Jan. 12 & 19, Mar. 9 & 16, May 11 & 18, Sept. 7 & 14, Nov. 9 & 16

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: **2019:** Ene. 12 y 19, Mar. 9 y 16, May. 11 y 18, Sep. 7 y 14, Nov. 9 y 16

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.

DECEMBER 23, 2018

ADVENT IV & CHRISTMAS



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Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!

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BEHOLD,
I bring you
tidings
of
GREAT JOY!

Welcome, V isitors!

May joy and peace be yours this Christmas! As we celebrate the birth of our Lord and welcome Him into our hearts, we extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting this Christmas! Some of you may be in town visiting family or friends; some of you may live locally, but do not regularly attend St. Rose; others of you may be coming to Mass at Christmas after being away from the Catholic Church for a time. To one and all, we are glad you are here, and hope that you find a spiritual home with us! Please come back again!

If you are interested in learning more about the parish, please visit our website at www.strose-parish.org. There are lots of ways to get involved! To register as a member, please attend a Newcomer's Gathering, held on the 2nd Sunday of each month, at 12:00pm in Spanish and 12:15pm in English, in the Duggan Room (on the lower level of the Church). The next session will be on January 13, 2019. Come meet parish representatives and receive registration materials and other information about St. Rose. We hope to see you there!



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 | CHRISTMAS EVE

Parish Offices Closed

See Worship section for Mass Schedule

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 | CHRISTMAS

Parish Offices Closed

10:00 am Mass (CH)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Parish Offices Closed

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

7:00 pm Family of Addicts Support Group (STJ)

7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (JE)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

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

7:30 pm RCIA Precatechumenate (STP)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

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

7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)

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

9:00 am Book Nook Drop Off & Sorting until 3:00pm (PCW)

9:30 am Lector Formation - Team A (CH)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 | HOLY FAMILY

8:00 am Book Nook Drop Off & Sorting until 2:00pm (PCW)

12:30 pm Legion of Mary (JE)

4:30 pm CLC Choir Rehearsal (KD)

6:00 pm TLC Choir Rehearsal (CH)

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

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

Holy Family / La Sagrada Familia

December 29/30, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Oscar Astigarraga

Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Oscar Astigarraga

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo

Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Tony Krisak

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

Scriptures:

Sir 3:2-6,12-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 / Lk 2:41-52

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

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased* * *Living*

Mon., 12/24 4:00 pm + Andrew Vocke

Mon., 12/24 6:00 pm + Jeffrey & Ryan Families

Mon., 12/24 8:00 pm * Martinez Auquilla Family

Mon., 12/24 10:00 pm + William J. Oberle, Jr.

+ Thomas L. Oberle

Tue., 12/25 10:00 am + Lorraine E. Polchin

Wed., 12/26 8:30 am + Rev. Joseph J. Kleinstuber

Thu., 12/27 8:30 am + Paul Stanton

Fri., 12/28 8:30 am + Pauline Freeley

Sat., 12/29 5:00 pm + Tom King

Sun., 12/30 7:30 am + Kelly Jervey

Sun., 12/30 9:00 am + Nayr Prudencio

Sun., 12/30 11:00 am + Pratap Chirayath

Sun., 12/30 1:00 pm * Special Intention for Blessings

CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

Reception into Full Communion: Richard Wayne Thrift

Marriage Validation: Richard W. Thrift & Gayle M. Goetzger



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

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Mary Brady, José Camargo, Giovanni Cappelletti, Isabel Teresa Cash Alchourron, Alice Correll, Marion Costa, Mary Ann Deak, Kathryn Domingues, Andrew Feldman, John Fletemeyer, Rev. Richard Gangayco, Harley Higgins, Gabe Holt, Ken Homon, Reakha Janus, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Rosa Julia Malavé, Cesar Hernan Martinez, Ed Mastal, Josie Mattero, Kevin McCarthy, Rosalyn McCarthy, Joanne Mull, Barbara O'Hara, Helene O'Neil, Guido Orellana, William Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Diane O'Shaughnessy, Barbara & Fernando Perez, Bob Pianta, Ana Portillo, Anthony Reid, Tess Rohan, Joe Rychlec, Julian Samuel, Patricia Sattalo, John Schmitz, Elia Sutardjo, Patrick Terry, Carolyn Tillery, Maria Elizabeth Trejo, Jeanne Tufano, Antonia Villatoro, Amy Williams, and Bud Zilcoski.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Patricia Atwater, mother of Katie Hecklinger; Maria Gertrudez De Castro; Marcela Baliwa Gonzalo, mother of Rev. Andrew Gonzalo; Andrew Halls, brother of Sandy Derge; Gustavo Hernandez, husband of Alva Marina Hernandez; and Charlotte Morais Laman, aunt of John Morais.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION / REFLEXION DE LAS ESCRITURAS

At last, we have arrived to our final week of Advent. For the last three weeks, we have been preparing our hearts, homes, and parish by praying and repenting from our sins as the readings have been telling us. This preparation will help us to welcome the birth of our Savior in this Christmas season. Most of the readings and celebrations center around the Incarnation during this time. The Church takes on Marian themes. The Virgin Mary and the Holy Family mark the countenance of the Church. As the Holy Spirit filled the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary with his power, so the faithful Christians may carry Christ in their own bodies through the power of the Holy

Spirit. The Eucharistic celebration is the highest proof of this physical incarnation of Jesus Christ within us. Like Mary, thanks to the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we may hasten to bring Christ to others we encounter. St. Rose may grow a little bigger during these days because of students on break coming back home, relatives visiting, etc. And like St. Elizabeth, the shepherds, the Magi, and all the people of good will may leap for joy because the light, Christ, has dispelled the darkness of our sinful nature. For this reason, the Christmas season is the time for many lights, candles, fireplaces, etc.

The midnight Christmas Mass has a close relation with the Easter Vigil. In both vigil nights, we celebrate our salvation from the darkness of sin. For instance, at the beginning of midnight Christmas Mass, the priest prays "O God, who made this most sacred night radiant with the splendor of the true light." At the Easter Vigil, the priest similarly says, "O God, who make this most sacred night radiant with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection." This vigilant waiting during the night is the attitude of a true Christian who, in the midst of the dark moment, waits for the light of Jesus Christ.

With joy and love from St. Rose of Lima Parish, we welcome all who come during this holy season to celebrate these joyful mysteries with us, and wish you a blessed and joyful season!

Finalmente hemos llegado a nuestra cuarta y última semana de adviento. Hemos estado preparando nuestros corazones, nuestras casas y nuestra parroquia durante estas últimas tres semanas por medio de la oración y arrepintiéndonos de nuestros pecados como las lecturas bien nos han estado exhortándonos. Esta preparación nos ayuda a recibir el nacimiento de nuestro salvador durante este tiempo navideño. La mayoría de las lecturas y las celebraciones



durante esta semana se centran alrededor de la encarnación. La iglesia nos habla de temas Marianos. La Virgen María y la sagrada familia son las imágenes de la iglesia durante este tiempo. Así como el Espíritu Santo lleno con su poder el seno de la Bendita Virgen María, así también el cristiano fiel puede

portar a Cristo dentro de sus cuerpos por medio de la fuerza del Espíritu Santo. Como María, acarrea al niño en su seno por las montañas de Judá para ir a visitar a su prima Isabel, así también nosotros podemos llevar a Cristo a las demás personas con quienes nos encontremos. La parroquia de Santa Rosa podría crecer un poco más durante este tiempo porque estudiantes suelen volver de la universidad para estar con sus familiares, otros familiares nos visitan tal vez que no viven alrededor de la parroquia. Y como Santa Isabel, los pastores, los reyes Magos y toda gente de buena voluntad pueden exultaron de alegría al escuchar el anuncio del nacimiento de Jesús, así también nosotros podemos exultar de alegría al escuchar y compartir la luz que ilumina la oscuridad de nuestra naturaleza pecadora. Por esta razón, el tiempo de Navidad está lleno de luces, velas o chimeneas encendidas en la oscuridad.

La misa de medianoche o misa de gallo tiene una estrecha relación con la vigilia pascual. En ambas vigiliass, celebramos nuestra salvación de la oscuridad del pecado. Por ejemplo, al comienzo de la Misa de gallo, el presbítero reza diciendo, "Oh Dios, quien has hecho de esta sagrada noche radiante con el esplendor de la verdadera luz." Así también en la vigilia pascual el presbítero dice, "Oh Dios, quien haces esta noche sagrada radiante con la gloria de la Resurrección del Señor." Esta espera vigilante de los cristianos durante la noche es la actitud de un verdadero cristiano que está en medio de la noche oscura esperando por la luz que es Jesucristo.

¡Con alegría y mucho amor de parte de la parroquia de Santa Rosa de Lima, les damos la bienvenida a todos los parroquianos que visitan la parroquia durante este tiempo para celebrar con nosotros estos misterios gozosos y desearles una bendecida y feliz Navidad a todos!

WORSHIP / ADORACION



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE - CHURCH / NOCHEBUENA - IGLESIA

Monday, December 24 / Lunes, 24 de diciembre

4:00pm: English Mass - Children's Choirs (Fr. Oscar)

5:45pm: Musical Prelude - Teen Choir

6:00pm: English Mass - Teen Choir (Fr. Tony Krisak)

8:00pm: Misa en español - Coro Hispano (P. Oscar)

9:40pm: Musical Prelude - Adult Choir

10:00pm: English Mass - Adult Choir (Fr. Mateo)

CHRISTMAS DAY - CHURCH

Tuesday, December 25

10:00am: English Mass (Fr. Mateo/Fr. Oscar)

MARY MOTHER OF GOD MASSES

Mass times for this Holy Day of Obligation are Mon., Dec. 31, 5:00pm (English) and 7:00pm (español); Tues., Jan. 1, 10:00am (English). All Masses are in the Church. Liturgical Ministers are needed. Sign up sheets are near the Liturgical Ministers' table.



BLESSING OF A CHRISTMAS TREE

All make the sign of the cross.

Leader: Loving God, we stand before you once again. We stand here ready to celebrate the birth of your son, Jesus. Bless this tree, this sign of life and freshness and perseverance in our midst. It stands as a reminder that you are born anew in us each day. Bless our family and friends as we celebrate this joyous season. Keep us safe in our travels, kind

in our conversations, and gracious in our giving and receiving. We ask you this in confidence, because we know you love us.

Response: Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

We are updating our list of homebound parishioners, so that our priests can visit them periodically. If you regularly bring the Eucharist to someone at home, please send information to Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com ► Your contact information ► Name, address, email & phone # of homebound person ► Best day & time to visit ► Any special needs

BLESSING OF A NATIVITY SCENE

All make the sign of the cross.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Response: Who made heaven and earth.

Scripture: Luke 2:1-8 or Isaiah 7:10-15

All join hands.

Leader: God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love: when our need for a Savior was great, you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love. Lord, bless all who look upon this manger; may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise up our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: Amen.



**ST. ROSE
TRIP TO IRELAND
HAS BEEN CANCELLED
DUE TO LOW NUMBERS.**



Las Posadas: Novena al Niño Jesús

Invitamos a todos los que nos quieran acompañarnos a cantar, rezar y compartir un momento de alegría y oración mientras esperamos la venida de nuestro Niño Jesús. La última Posada será el 24 de diciembre, a las 7:00pm. INFO: [Ivonne Salazar, ivalazar@strose.com](mailto:ivalazar@strose.com)

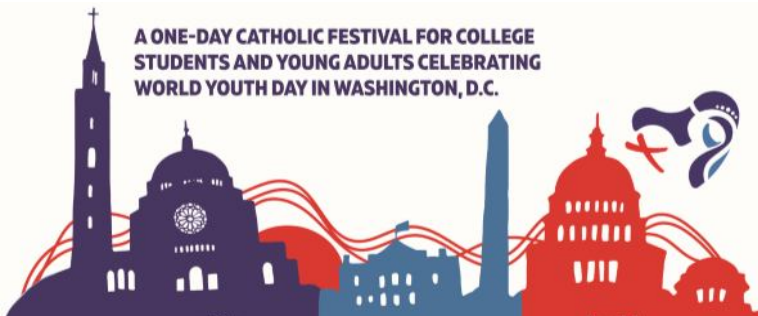
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A ONE-DAY CATHOLIC FESTIVAL FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS CELEBRATING WORLD YOUTH DAY IN WASHINGTON, D.C.



SERVICE / SERVICIO

GABRIEL PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Assist needy women and women in crisis pregnancies. Female volunteers (*especially bilingual Spanish-speaking*) stay in touch with client mothers during pregnancy; bring them diapers, baby clothes, etc. (provided by Gabriel Project); and pray for them. The average time commitment is 1-4 hours per month. Male volunteers pick up donations 1-2 times per month. Daily prayer supporters and donations of diapers, formula, and baby clothes are also needed. INFO: Regina McCutcheon, rjmccutch@yahoo.com; Carmen Rojas, gccthompson@juno.com

NATIONAL SHRINE'S CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THOSE IN NEED

The Basilica of the National Shrine will sponsor dinner for those who are alone or in need on Christmas Day, December 25. Volunteers are needed to assist in preparing, serving, and delivering meals as well as assisting with other logistics. Those interested in volunteering may sign-up online at www.nationalshrine.org/christmasdinner or call the Basilica at 202-526-8300.

EDUCATION / EDUCACION

THE POWER OF LOVE: SEX, LOVE, AND CHASTITY

Fri., Jan. 11, 7:00pm, Our Lady of the Presentation, 17230 Tom Fox Avenue, Poolesville. Youth in Gr. 6-12 and parents are invited to this special event, featuring Catholic worship leader and musician Mike Tenney. The evening will include talk, music, skits, confession, and praise. COST: \$5/person, or \$10/family. INFO: www.miketenneymusic.com; Maria Villarrubia, dsor@ol-presentation-md.org

ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES

Adult Catholics (aged 18+) who have been baptized, received First Eucharist and are practicing their faith, but have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation, are invited to participate in a preparation program. Classes will meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, starting in February. INFO & REGISTRATION: <http://strose-parish.org/adult-confirmation>

FROM FR. OSCAR

Email your questions to:
fatheroscar@strose.com



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to wish a joyful and blessed Christmas season to all of you! This is my first Christmas as a priest. It has been a busy Advent season, but very joyful. I had great feasting celebrations with the Marian feasts of the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Guadalupe, with Las Posadas, with the Christmas Tree & Shoppe Team, and with a number of penance celebrations at St. Rose and other parishes. Some mornings it was hard to get up because of late activities and chilly mornings, but the Lord is helping me to jump out of bed when it is time. It has been a busy time at home and at the seminary preparing for Christmas with Christmas carol festivals, setting out nativity scenes and ornaments, and so it has also been at the parish level. I am really grateful for this parish community that the Lord has entrusted to Fr. Mateo and me. I hope the Lord may give me and all of you, dear parishioners, the graces we need to fulfill our vocations to bring others to Christ.

In Christ's love,

Father Oscar

 **COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD****GET READY FOR THE BOOK NOOK SALE!**

Bring your donations of books, CDs, DVDs and other media! Volunteers are needed to help collect books and sort them. Please consider helping before, during and after the sale!

BOOK DROP OFF: Dec. 29, 9:00am-3:00pm
Woodlands Room Dec. 30, 8:00am-2:00pm
Dec. 31, 9:00am-3:00pm
Jan. 1, 5:00-8:00pm

BOOK NOOK SALE: Jan. 3 & 4, 9:00am-9:00pm
Woodlands Room Jan. 5, 9:00am-8:00pm

WHILE CHILDREN ARE ON CHRISTMAS BREAK...

Enjoy a field trip to enrich their Catholic cultural experience, nurture their faith, and deepen their connection with the universal Church.

- ▶ National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception: www.nationalshrine.org
- ▶ Franciscan Monastery: www.myfranciscan.org
- ▶ National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: www.setonshrine.org
- ▶ Saint John Paul II Shrine: www.jp2shrine.org
- ▶ Museum of the Bible: www.museumofthebible.org

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS - CHECK IT OUT!

Come check out MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out! This group of High School aged teens meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in our Youth Center for fellowship, faith, and fun!

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS! YOU ARE INVITED!

Are you a senior who would enjoy connecting with other mature people for fun and interesting events throughout the year? Consider joining our OWLS (the Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors). Most events are held on weekdays - luncheons, talks, mini-retreats, and more. ▶ **UPCOMING EVENT:** Epiphany Luncheon, Tues., Jan. 8, 12:00pm, at *il Porto*, 245 Muddy Branch Rd. Select your salad, entree and dessert from the *prix fixe* menu (beverage and tip are included). COST: \$30.00. Pay when you arrive at the restaurant. RSVP: Linda LeBlanc, 301-963-1269 or stroseowls@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS - CHECK IT OUT!

270Catholic is a lively ministry of young adults (20s & 30s) in the I-270, Mont. Co. region seeking to grow closer to Christ.

- ▶ Theology on Tap at Saints Row Brewing in Rockville, 2nd Wednesday of each month, 6:00pm, followed by a dynamic talk with Q & A until 8:00pm.
- ▶ Christ in the City Holy Hour & Fellowship at St. Mary's in Rockville, last Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm, followed by a Social until 9:30pm.

They also do monthly service events and have started lively small groups in the region. INFO: <http://270catholic.org>

**STEWARDSHIP /
CORRESPONSABILIDAD****OUR GATHERING SPACE PROJECT HAS BEGUN - PLEASE DONATE!**

There are a number of finishing elements for the Gathering Space that are above what has been donated for the construction - elements that will beautify and finish out the space. You may donate electronically towards these special elements through our ▶ **DIRECT DEBIT** or ▶ **ONLINE GIVING** programs, or by cash/check, using the ▶ **BLUE ENVELOPES** that parishioners receive in the mail and which are also available in the Foyer. INFO: Fabiana Rieke, 240-454-5316 or frieke@strose.com

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING TODAY!

1. Visit our website at www.strose-parish.org/online-giving
2. Click on the Online Giving green button
3. Create your account and set up your giving as you wish

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!**TREASURE / TESORO** Dec. 8 - 14, 2018**Your Gifts to the Lord**

Offertory	\$20,829
Mortgage Reduction	\$1,117
Capital Campaign.....	\$1,362
Direct Debit Capital Campaign	\$625
Social Action Fund	\$100
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$114

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box	\$1,041
Gaithersburg HELP.....	\$500
Germantown HELP.....	\$250

Financial Fact

We offer childcare during the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses, and for Baptism Preparation sessions and 1st Penance and 1st Communion Retreats. This fiscal year to date, we have paid childcare workers a total of \$3,330.

TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO**Christmas Tree Lot & Shoppe Leaders & Helpers**

Once again, our dedicated leaders worked throughout the year to prepare for this event, and bustled through the flurry of activity in the weeks leading up to, during and after the Tree Lot & Shoppe. They also do a post-event evaluation and a January shopping event for next year!

Many, many helpers assisted in countless ways - serving customers in the Tree Lot & Shoppe, decorating wreaths, cooking and serving food, stocking inventory, setting up and breaking down, and so much more!

Thanks to all for your tireless efforts!