

# ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

PARROQUIA SANTA ROSA DE LIMA

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## EUCCHARIST / EUCARISTIA

### Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Monday-Friday ----- 8:30 am ----- (English)

1er Viernes ----- 7:00 pm ----- (Español)

Sunday ----- 7:30 am ----- (English)

1er Dimanche ----- 10:00 am ----- (Français)

2nd Sunday ----- 5:00 pm ----- (Tagalog)

### Church / Iglesia

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm ----- (English)

Sunday ----- 9:00 am ----- (English + ASL)

11:00 am ----- (English)

Domingo ----- 1:00 pm ----- (Español)

## RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACION

### 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.

JANUARY 27, 2019

ORDINARY TIME III



# DIRECTORY / DIRECTORIO

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*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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# Plan Ahead! Use Caution!

Access between the Church and the Parish Centre via the Breezeway is not an option.



## NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

### CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 28

- 6:30 pm Gr. 7-12 Religious Education Teaching Mass (CH)
- 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (SAR/STP/STJ/DGN2)

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

- 9:30 am Little Rock Scripture Study: Gospel of Luke (LR2)
- 7:00 pm Little Rock Scripture Study: Gospel of Luke (LR1)

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

- 6:30 pm High School MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)
- 7:00 pm Eco-Action Green Screen: Plastic Planet (DGN)
- 7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (JE)

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

- 9:00 am Jubilee Quilters Workshop (LR)
- 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00pm (HC)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 6:45 pm Rosario y Misa (HC)
- 6:30 pm 1st Communion Parent-Child Retreat (CH/DGN/STJ)
- 7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- 7:00 am That Man Is You (PCW)
- 7:00 am Entrenamiento de Catequistas (LR/BR1)
- 8:00 am RCIA Morning of Reflection (DGN1)
- 8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)
- 8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo C (HC)
- 9:30 am Lector Formation - Team C (CH)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3 | ORDINARY TIME 4

- 9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (LR/YC/CHLL)
- 10:00 am Messe en Français (HC)
- 4:00 pm Family Formation (PCW/F/YC/LR/BR/CHLL)
- 6:30 pm Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (YC)

### LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time /  
4<sup>o</sup> Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
February 2/3, 2019

#### Masses/Celebrants:

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|----------------|------|---------------------------------|
| Sat., 5:00 pm  | (CH) | Fr. Agustin Mateo               |
| Sun., 7:30 am  | (HC) | Fr. Agustin Mateo               |
| Sun., 9:00 am  | (CH) | Fr. Oscar Astigarraga           |
| Sun., 10:00 am | (HC) | Fr. Petit-Homme (Français)      |
| Sun., 11:00 am | (CH) | Fr. Tony Krisak                 |
| Sun., 1:00 pm  | (CH) | Fr. Oscar Astigarraga (Español) |

#### Scriptures:

Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19 / 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 / Lk 4:21-30

**Bread Bakers:** Group 3    **Liturgical Ministers:** Team C

### MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased*    \* *Living*

- |            |          |   |                             |
|------------|----------|---|-----------------------------|
| Mon., 1/28 | 8:30 am  | + | Rev. Thomas A. Gude         |
| Tue., 1/29 | 8:30 am  | + | John Yang Yining            |
| Wed., 1/30 | 8:30 am  | + | Rev. Henry J. Januszkiewicz |
| Thu., 1/31 | 8:30 am  | + | Manolo Anacleto             |
| Fri., 2/1  | 8:30 am  | + | Larry & Annie Jonas         |
| Fri., 2/1  | 7:00 pm  | + | María Carvajal de Marquina  |
|            |          |   | + Virgilia de Gazzotti      |
|            |          |   | + Edith Valderrama de Teves |
|            |          |   | + Marybell Nava             |
| Sat., 2/2  | 5:00 pm  | * | Julio Mendez                |
| Sun., 2/3  | 7:30 am  | + | Carlos Weill                |
| Sun., 2/3  | 9:00 am  | + | Kieron Healey               |
| Sun., 2/3  | 11:00 am | + | Loved Ones of Stephen Burt  |
| Sun., 2/3  | 1:00 pm  | + | Nayr Calderon de Prudencio  |

### CONGRATULATIONS / FELICIDADES

**Baptism / Bautismo:** Clara Diane Garciguirre



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

### THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Hugo Albornoz; Olivia Balzer, José Camargo, Giovanni Cappelletti, Marion Costa, Mary Ann Deak, John Fletemeyer, Aurora Fonseca, Rev. Richard Gangayco, Carol Garcia, Harley Higgins, Barbara Homon, Ken Homon, Reakha Janus, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Kyle Lockwood, Rosa Julia Malavé, Cesar Hernan Martinez, Ed Mastal, Josie Matteredo, Kevin McCarthy, Rosalyn McCarthy, Jeri Molinar, Annaka Moses, Elizabeth Neary, Barbara O'Hara, Guido Orellana, William Orellana, Hilary Orosco, Gloria Ortwerth, Diane O'Shaughnessy, Barbara & Fernando Perez, Richard Petrovich, Mark Pizzano, Ana Portillo, Paul Purcell, Robert Quintana, Joseph R., Anthony Reid, Tess Rohan, Julian Samuel, Patricia Sattalo, John Schmitz, Elia Sutardjo, Patrick Terry, Carolyn Tillery, Maria Elizabeth Trejo, Jeanne Tufano, Yvonne White, Amy Williams, and Bud Zilcoski.

### THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

José Anival Garcia, brother of Manuel Garcia; Bob Hendrickson, friend of the McNairys; Grace Jennings, friend of the Botkins; Lady Sara Luna, granddaughter of Augustina Arpeta; JoAnn McPartlan, friend of the Dziubas; Flor Mujica; Helene O'Neil, grandmother of Molly Herrera, Deacon Valentine E. Oguledo, husband of Phyllis Oguledo; and Irene Somers, mother of Jane Rice.

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION / REFLEXION DE LAS ESCRITURAS

Jesus began his public ministry in Galilee, going into the Synagogue in Nazareth, announcing the kingdom of God. The power of the Holy Spirit would lead him from there to Capernaum, through Samaria, to Jerusalem and ultimately to glory by means of his passion, death, and resurrection. We are currently reading the gospel of Luke during this year. Luke's gospel characterizes Jesus primarily as a teacher. Beginning in the synagogue, Jesus folded up the scroll containing the words of the prophet Isaiah and he says that those promises of Isaiah are fulfilled today. Jesus says, "Today this Scripture reading is fulfilled in your hearing" because He has come to bring glad tidings to the poor, the imprisoned, the sick, the oppressed. Even more, Luke's gospel is not restricted to just our own. Luke's gospel is universal, because Christ has come for all.

The words of Jesus must apply to all people because all of us experience somehow the oppression of our sins, the sins of others, or some type of physical impediment, which ultimately affect also our spirit. All of us need spiritual healing, freedom, sight to conduct ourselves on the way of grace, since the oppression of sin is the greatest tyrant in our lives. God began to work this salvation in us at our baptism because at that moment we have been anointed with the Chrism of the Holy Spirit to continue on the ministry of Christ. We are the Church who today once again proclaim deliverance to those who are under any type of oppression. The Church never gives up on anyone, those in prisons, the marginalized in society because they also are part of the salvific mission of Christ. The first reading says that there were men, women, and children old enough to understand in the assembly around Ezra as he proclaimed the laws of God. The Church continues proclaiming at Mass what the priest Ezra proclaimed to the assembly. The law of God was and is to save everyone living under sin.

May the Lord rekindle in us this zeal to proclaim the law of God in the midst of the assembly this Sunday among our men, women, and children so that we, in turn, may announce it wherever we may be in our Christian vocation.

Jesus comenzó su ministerio público en Galilea, yendo a la sinagoga en Nazaret, anunciando el Reino de Dios. El poder del Espíritu Santo lo lleva desde allí hasta Cafarnaúm, por Samaria, hasta Jerusalén donde finalmente entrara en su pasión, muerte y resurrección para la gloria de Dios. Este año litúrgico estamos leyendo el evangelio de San Lucas. Lucas presenta a Jesús como alguien quien enseña a la gente y sus discípulos. En el evangelio de hoy escuchamos que Jesús lee el pasaje del profeta Isaías y después explica su significado a la gente. Jesús dice, "Hoy mismo se ha cumplido este pasaje que acaban de escuchar" porque Jesús ha venido a proclamar la buena nueva a los pobres, a los prisioneros, a los enfermos, a los oprimidos. El evangelio de Lucas no solamente se dirige a los judíos, sino a todas las gentes, especialmente a los paganos porque Cristo ha venido para la salvación de todos.

Las palabras de Jesús se aplican a todas las gentes porque todos nosotros experimentamos de alguna manera la opresión de nuestros pecados, los pecados de los demás o alguna forma de impedimento físico que también a veces afecta nuestro espíritu. Así que todos nosotros necesitamos una sanación espiritual, libertad, visión para conducirnos por el camino de la gracia en Cristo. La opresión del pecado es el más

grande tirano que podamos tener en nuestra vida. Es por eso que Dios comenzó su obra salvadora con su hijo Jesucristo y nos entregó el sacramento del bautismo. En el bautismo se nos ha ungido con el óleo del crisma que es signo de la recepción del Espíritu Santo en nuestras vidas para continuar la misión de Jesucristo en la tierra. Nosotros somos la iglesia que hoy de nuevo proclama la libertad a los oprimidos porque nosotros fuimos liberados de la esclavitud del pecado. La iglesia nunca se cansará de proclamar esta buena noticia a todos, especialmente a los que están en prisión espiritual o física, a los marginados de la sociedad porque ellos también son parte de la misión salvífica de Dios. La primera lectura nos habla que el sacerdote Esdras proclama la ley del Señor en medio de la asamblea compuesta por hombres, mujeres y niños de edad suficiente para entender la proclamación. Así también la iglesia continúa proclamando en la Misa los domingos las palabras de Dios en medio de nuestra asamblea parroquiana. La ley del Señor fue y es para la salvación de todos aquellos viviendo bajo la opresión del pecado.

Que el Señor renueve en nosotros el celo por proclamar sin temor la ley de Dios en medio de nuestra asamblea este domingo en medio de los hombres, mujeres y niños de nuestra parroquia para que cada uno de nosotros también podamos llevar la buena noticia donde sea que nos encontremos en nuestra vocación de cristianos.







## WORSHIP / ADORACION

### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE - BLESSING OF THROATS

Sun., Feb. 3 is the Feast of St. Blaise. On his feast day, the blessing of throats, which is a sacramental, may be celebrated. Following the Masses next weekend, you are invited to take part in this blessing.

### TAIZÉ PRAYER WITH FLOWER OF CARMEL

Wed., Feb. 6, 7:00-7:30pm, Historic Chapel. Join us for Taizé prayer, a simple service of scripture, singing, prayers, and silence. Come rest in the quiet beauty of this simple form of contemplative prayer. INFO: Beth Fisher, lfisher57@gmail.com

### FROM PALMS TO ASHES...

From now through Sun., Mar. 3, you may bring in last year's blessed palm branches and place them in the specially marked baskets (located in the Church Foyer and the back of the Historic Chapel). They will be burned for use at Ash Wednesday services on March 6.

### VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED - CAN YOU HELP?

► **BREAD BAKERS:** For without bread, there can be no feast. Are you interested in volunteering, but have a hard time finding the time? Volunteer at home! Bread Bakers bake about once every 7 or 8 weeks. Deliver bread by 4:00pm on Saturday. We provide recipe and instructions, and can give you hands-on training if you want. New schedule goes out mid-February. INFO: Dick Kafka, vahrjk@verizon.net or 301-946-5515 ► **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** EMs are needed at the following Masses: Saturday, 5:00pm (5); Sunday, 9:00am (2) & 11:00am (1). If you are at least 18, are confirmed and are a practicing Catholic, you are eligible. We will provide training. If you cannot commit to be on a three week rotation, please consider being a substitute. INFO: Mike Ballentine, mike\_ballentine\_1@msn.com ► **WEEKDAY SACRISTANS & ACOLYTES:** Are you able to help at funeral liturgies? Training is provided. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com

### SPEND MORE TIME WITH SCRIPTURE!

► *At Home with The Word:* This publication has the Sunday Scripture readings for the entire liturgical year, introductions to the Gospels, tips for studying and praying with scriptures, reflections and action ideas, and more. Purchase your copy (\$8) from the office or email cjeffrey@strose.com. ► *Magnificat:* Subscribe to this monthly publication designed for daily use, to encourage liturgical and personal prayer. Order online at <http://us.magnificat.net>. ► *Daily Readings Email:* Sign up to receive the daily readings. <http://www.usccb.org>. ► *FORMED.org:* Lots of Catholic content to enjoy! Listen to Searching the Scripture – The Gospel of Luke or to reflections on the weekly readings. Watch Unveiling Scripture and Tradition. Parish Code: QD4Q28.

### SPEND AN HOUR WITH THE LORD

On Thursdays, come for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, held in the Historic Chapel after the 8:30am Mass. INFO: Abigail Morais, 240-416-5200 or amorais327@gmail.com

## SERVICE / SERVICIO



### PARISH IMMIGRATION FORUM

Sat., Feb. 9, 9:30am-12:30pm, in the Woodlands Room. Catholic Charities will present an overview of the difficulties facing immigrants and what steps parishes can take to be supportive. This educational workshop will also include testimonies from immigrants about their journey. Catholic Charities and parishes around the country are organizing to help create more supportive communities for immigrants, learning how to effectively advocate for fair reform, and accompanying documented and undocumented families as they seek to legalize their status. This session will be in English. No legal services will be provided. Come learn how you can help! RSVP: [parishevents@cc-dc.org](mailto:parishevents@cc-dc.org)

### MCCH MEN'S SHELTER MEAL

On Mon., Feb. 18, St. Rose will provide dinner for 200+ men at the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless men's shelter on Gude Drive. NEEDED: 20 meatball casseroles (recipe and foil pan provided); food donations for sides, salads, and desserts; gift cards for bread sticks and supplies; volunteers to prepare salads on Mon., Feb. 18; drivers and servers. Online signup for food contributions and helping hands will begin on February 2. (Visit St. Rose website for link to Signup Genius). INFO: Anna Smink, [annasmink@aol.com](mailto:annasmink@aol.com)

### LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The Maryland Catholic Conference is encouraging Catholics to join them in Annapolis on February 21 and stand up for life, justice and human rights. To reserve your spot today, visit [www.catholicsinannapolis.org](http://www.catholicsinannapolis.org) or call 410-269-1155. A full agenda for the day and more info is available online.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ESL AND SSL CLASSES

Are you interested in helping others? St. Matthew's Cathedral is in need of volunteers to help teach both ESL and SSL during the spring semester (February 5 - May 16, 2019). ESL classes, levels 1-5, are taught to our immigrant brothers and sisters, and SSL classes, levels 1-3, are taught to parishioners and community members who wish to improve their Spanish language skills. Please consider teaching one night per week (Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday), 6:30-8:30pm. Classes are held at St. Matthew's Cathedral, Parish Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW, Wash. DC. New to teaching English or Spanish? New teachers will be placed with an experienced co-teacher. INFO: Allison, [stmattsesl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com); Carina, [stmattsssl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsssl@gmail.com)

### BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER

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 training they have received and employing the tools of faith. If this job description fits your personal goals for ministry, consider becoming a Stephen Minister. *Full training is provided—classes will soon begin.* Stephen Ministers will be available to speak with you this weekend, Jan. 19/20, after the 5:00pm, 9:00am, and 11:00am Masses. INFO: Zita Tepie, 301-519-1527 or [zjtepie42@gmail.com](mailto:zjtepie42@gmail.com)

### SENIORS - SPEND SOME TIME WITH THE LORD!

Tues., Feb. 12, Duggan Room. Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors (O.W.L.S.) are invited to come to a Day of Recollection. Find out how the poem "The Hound of Heaven" wants to capture you. Coffee and donuts at 9:30; retreat 10:00-3:00. Please bring a bag lunch. Drinks will be provided. INFO & RSVP: [stroseowls@gmail.com](mailto:stroseowls@gmail.com); Linda LeBlanc, 301-963-1269

### DOES YOUR MARRIAGE NEED HELP?

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to help couples through difficult times in their marriages. An upcoming program begins with a weekend in Baltimore on Feb. 1-3. INFO & REGISTRATION: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com); 443-400-7017; or [3015@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3015@retrouvaille.org)



## INCLEMENT WEATHER & EMERGENCY CLOSING POLICIES

► **Weekend Masses, Religious Education & Family Formation:** Cancellation notices will be posted on our website as early as possible. ► **Weekday Masses:** If Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) open late or are closed, there is no 8:30am Mass. ► **Weekday Religious Education & Family Formation:** If MCPS close early or cancel all evening activities, Religious Education & Family Formation are cancelled. Updates and cancellations will be sent out via Flocknote (English classes). ► **Thursday Adoration & Confessions:** If MCPS open late, Adoration will be held 1:00-9:00pm. If MCPS close early, Adoration and Confessions are cancelled. ► **Parish Offices:** If MCPS Administrative Offices open late, we open as close to 9:00am as possible. If MCPS Administrative Offices are closed, Parish Offices are closed. ► **Cancellation Notices:** Visit the parish website at [www.strose-parish.org](http://www.strose-parish.org).

## FROM FR. OSCAR

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



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend is the World Youth Day (WYD) in Panama. These series of world youth days began in 1987 under the pontificate of Saint John Paul II. He really had such a young heart that he began to meet all the youth of the world once every three years. This has been a great tradition since many young people could meet other Catholic youth from all over the world and renew their faith to follow Christ with an ever young and light Spirit. I myself renewed my priestly vocation at these pilgrimages since 2008 at Sydney-Australia, which was my first time attending WYD. It also was a great opportunity to visit many holy sites in whichever country we happened to visit for the gathering. I always asked the saint or the Virgin of each country for a special grace. This year, I sadly could not attend because of scheduling conflicts. However, I will definitely write the next pilgrimage on my calendar! I hope I will again be able to accompany hundreds of youth from the Archdiocese to meet the Pope, many youth from all over the world, and renew my zeal to announce the gospel with an ever young spirit as St. John Paul II did during his pontificate.

In Christ,  
*Father Oscar*

## EDUCATION / EDUCACION

### ECO-ACTION TEAM GREEN SCREEN: PLASTIC PLANET

Wed., Jan. 30, 7:00-9:00pm, Duggan Room. Sadly, the current plastic crisis is yet another dangerous challenge to our precious planet. Currently, 12.7 tons of plastic ends up in our oceans each year and seriously impacts sea life, choking turtles and poisoning whales. We've all seen the infamous plastic straw/turtle encounter. And the problem doesn't stop there. St. Rose Eco-Action Team's Green Screen will present the facts and then offer some solutions - some practical (first comers will receive gifts of non-plastic straws and multi-use, kitchen friendly plastics), and some enlightening (like the experimental mushroom fungus that feasts upon plastic). Visit [Greenpeace.org](http://Greenpeace.org) to learn more about this crisis. INFO: Pat Cuff, [Pmcuff@aol.com](mailto:Pmcuff@aol.com)

### FE, VALOR Y ALEGRÍA

Un grupo de formación católico en español destinado a las mujeres. Nos reunimos el primer jueves de cada mes a las 7:30pm, en el Salón Duggan 1. Nuestra próxima reunión será el jueves 7 de febrero. Te invitamos a nuestras charlas para ayudarte a vivir el día a día con la perspectiva de la Fe y así potenciar nuestro papel de mujer dentro de la familia y de la comunidad. INFO: Ester Brooks, 315-391-8181, [emuntbrooks@gmail.com](mailto:emuntbrooks@gmail.com), [fevaloryalegria.org](http://fevaloryalegria.org)

### ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES-NOT TOO LATE

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>



### MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#### OPEN HOUSE THIS SUNDAY

Sun., Jan. 27, 1:00-3:00pm, Mary of Nazareth Catholic School, 14131 Seneca Rd., Darnestown. Children and parents are invited to visit classrooms, meet talented faculty, and tour the campus. INFO: 301-869-0940 RSVP: <https://www.maryofnazareth.org/admissions/visit-us/>

### CLASES DE PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR EN ESPAÑOL

La Oficina de Vida Familiar está auspiciando clase de Planificación Familiar en español para parejas. Las clases se dan en la Misión San Andres, 12247 Georgia Ave. (Salón 301), Silver Spring. Las clases serán los sábados, 9 de marzo, 13 de abril, 4 de mayo, y 1 de junio. La pareja debe de asistir ambos sábados para aprender el método. COSTO: \$40 por el pago de materiales. INSCRIBIRSE: [signovisible@adw.org](mailto:signovisible@adw.org) o 301-853-4546

## STEWARDSHIP /



## CORRESPONSABILIDAD

### IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING...

This year, instead of our annual Thank You Party in January, we are planning for a lovely dedication celebration when our Gathering Space is completed. We'll keep you posted!



### PLEASE MAKE UP MISSED DONATIONS

The snow kept many from coming to Mass on Jan. 12/13. If you were snowed in and unable to attend, please be sure to make up your missed donations. Though many things come to a halt during inclement weather, unfortunately, parish expenses do not. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

### 2019 ANNUAL APPEAL: OUR FAITH. OUR HOPE. OUR MISSION.

Feb. 23/24. Contributions to the Annual Appeal are 100% designated to ministries that carry out the mission of the Church. For more information, contact Elizabeth Shaughney at 301-853-4574 or [shaughneye@adw.org](mailto:shaughneye@adw.org). Thank you for your generosity in making the 2019 Annual Appeal a success.

## THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

### TREASURE / TESORO January 12 - 18, 2019

#### Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory .....	\$18,178
Direct Debit Offertory .....	\$28,129
Mortgage Reduction .....	\$647
Capital Campaign.....	\$1,314
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$68

#### Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box .....	\$2,315
Gaithersburg HELP.....	\$500
Germantown HELP.....	\$250

#### Financial Fact

During the last fiscal year (7/1/17 - 6/30/18), your contributions to the Debt Reduction/Mortgage fund totaled \$128,544. This fiscal year to date (7/1/18 - 1/19/19), the total is \$63,794. Thank you for your generous support!

### TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO

#### Youth Rally & Mass / March for Life Participants

Thanks to all who braved extremely cold weather to attend the Youth Rally & Mass / March for Life. By their participation, they were witnesses to discipleship in Christ and promoters of the Gospel of Life.