

# 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.

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

ORDINARY TIME VI



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

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## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Annual Appeal OUR FAITH. OUR HOPE. OUR MISSION.

The Annual Appeal is much different than a one-time collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, today, payable over ten months that will help support the ministries and mission of all our faith communities of the Church of Washington. The Annual Appeal brochure and Frequently Asked Questions are available for your review.

A gift to the Annual Appeal will touch the lives of thousands of people in a very positive way. As you review the work enabled by your contribution, please reflect on God's gifts to you. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our archdiocese and give Him thanks for all He has given us. This year, you can support the Annual Appeal many different ways. Many of you may have received a mailing in January that you can respond to. You can also support the Appeal online at [adw.org](http://adw.org) or text "Give" to (301) 231-1816. We will also provide the opportunity to support the Appeal at Mass this weekend. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.





## NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

### CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18 | PRESIDENT'S DAY

Parish Offices Closed

9:00 am Shelter Meal Food Prep (PCK)

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:30am Little Rock Scripture Study: Gospel of Luke (LR2)

7:00 pm Little Rock Scripture Study: Gospel of Luke (LR1)

7:00 pm Family Formation Catechist Training (DGN)

7:30 pm Comité Hispano (BR)

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

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

6:30 pm Flower of Carmel (DGN2)

7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (JE)

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (STJ)

7:00 pm Pastoral Council (DGN1)

7:30 pm Pax Christi (STP)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

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

7:00 pm Adult Confirmation Preparation (DGN2)

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

7:00 pm Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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

7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00 am Entrenamiento Catequistas (BR)

7:30 am Family Formation Core Team (HC/LR2)

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

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

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 | ORDINARY TIME 7

9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (LR/YC/CHLL)

11:30 am Reunión de Ministros Litúrgicos (LR)

12:30 pm Legion of Mary (JE)

5:00 pm Adaptive Religious Education (CHLL)

### LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

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

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

February 23/24, 2019

#### Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Quinn Conners

Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Francis Russo

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Oscar Astigarraga

Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Oscar Astigarraga

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Agustin Mateo (Español)

#### Scriptures:

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 / 1 Cor 15:45-49 / Lk 6:27-38

**Bread Bakers:** Group 6 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team A

### MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased* \* *Living*

Mon., 2/18 8:30 am + Lydia & Gamaliel Camomot

Tue., 2/19 8:30 am + Gary Daum

Wed., 2/20 8:30 am + Emmanuel Porcalla

Thu., 2/21 8:30 am + Bob Pianta

Fri., 2/22 8:30 am + Bob Pianta

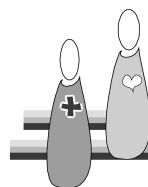
Sat., 2/23 5:00 pm + Richard Brodeur

Sun., 2/24 7:30 am + JoAnn McPartlan

Sun., 2/24 9:00 am + Pakita Lezama

Sun., 2/24 11:00 am + Clive Dourado

Sun., 2/24 1:00 pm + Jacinta Olivar



*Dichosos los que  
confían en Dios*



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

### THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Norma Alarcon, Hugo Albornoz, Magaly Floria Asserto, Olivia Balzer, José Camargo, Giovanni Cappelletti, Olivia Cisneros, Marion Costa, Mary Ann Deak, John Fletemeyer, Aurora Fonseca, Rev. Richard Gangayco, Leonardo Guevara, Harley Higgins, Barbara Homon, Ken Homon, Evelyn Idrovo, Reakha Janus, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Rosa Julia Malavé, Ed Mastal, Josie Matteredo, Rosalyn McCarthy, Annaka Moses, Elizabeth Neary, Phyllis Netherlands, 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, Joseph R., Anthony Reid, Tess Rohan, Julian Samuel, Patricia Sattalo, John Schmitz, Natalie Shields, Elia Sutardjo, Patrick Terry, Carolyn Tillery, Maria Elizabeth Trejo, Jeanne Tufano, Yvonne White, Amy Williams, and Bud Zilcoski.

### THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Johnny Abenina, brother-in-law of Mary Anne Fletemeyer and George Cabe; Dilia Camacho, mother-in-law of Carolyn Camacho; Kevin McCarthy, brother of Jack McCarthy; Peter An Quang Pham, father of Dzung Pham and father-in-law of Trinh Li; Rosemary Procaccino, friend of the Dubin family; and Robert Quintana, grandfather of Sophia Molina.

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION / REFLEXION DE LAS ESCRITURAS

The readings this Sunday call us to a great degree of humility. God tells us to look for his glory, rather than for the glory of men. In the first reading, the prophet Jeremiah speaks of the sterility of the man who put his trust in another man. The man who relies on human glory and earthly hopes is like a shrub in the desert, dwelling in parched and salty places. Instead, the man who puts his trust in the Lord is like a tree planted beside running waters that has its roots in the stream. This tree does not fear heat or drought because it is beside the waters. So, the man who puts his trust in God does not fear evil days, persecution or death, since his hope is beyond this earthly life.

In the same line of hope, St. Paul tells us that if our hope is only in this earthly life, we are the most miserable people on earth. Our hope is in the risen Christ! Thanks to the resurrection of Christ, we have the forgiveness of our sins and eternal life in Christ.

Jesus confirms this hope in him as He says in the gospel, "Blessed are you poor when men hate you on account of the Son of God, rejoice in that day for your reward is great in heaven." Jesus teaches his disciples that men will hate them if they are authentic prophets. If the disciples would have preferred the glory of men instead of the glory of God, then they would have become false prophets, as the end of the gospel says. Jesus Christ calls his disciples to climb to the cross of the evangelization just as He did, trusting in God their Father. The disciples will eventually die for the gospel, but they will also experience resurrection and life in the midst of their death. They will fulfill the words of Jesus and St. Paul to rejoice in the midst of persecution and martyrdom for the gospel. This is how the poor in spirit put their trust in God, who will grant them life and glory at the moment of giving their lives for the gospel. This experience of resurrection is in contrast with those who look for their glory from one another, just as Jesus told the Pharisees who looked glory from one another (John 5:44). The lives of the disciples and the saints call us to follow Christ to the point of death, out of love for Christ and his Church. God gives us the grace to rejoice in the heavenly joys - such as the forgiveness of our sins and communion with faithful Christians. The struggles for the gospel makes us poor in spirit, but rich in the communion of life with Christ.

Las lecturas este domingo nos llaman a tener una gran humildad. Dios nos dice de buscar su gloria y no la gloria de los hombres. En la primera lectura, el profeta Jeremías habla de la esterilidad del hombre que pone su confianza y fuerza en otro hombre. El hombre que pone su confianza en la gloria humana y las esperanzas terrenas será como un cardo en la estepa, vivirá en la aridez del desierto, en una tierra salobre e inhabitable. En cambio, el hombre que pone su confianza y esperanza en Dios es como un árbol plantado junto a las corrientes de agua. Este árbol no temerá la sequía ni el calor porque sus raíces están junto al agua. Así el hombre que pone su esperanza en Dios no teme los días malos, la persecución o la muerte ya que su esperanza esta enraizado en la vida eterna que va más allá de esta vida aquí en la tierra.

San Pablo también nos dice en la segunda lectura que si nuestra esperanza en Cristo se reduce a esta vida solamente, somos los hombres más infelices de la tierra. Nuestra esperanza en cambio está en Cristo resucitado de la muerte y gracias a esta resurrección de Cristo tenemos el perdón de nuestros pecados y la vida eterna en Cristo.



Jesus nos confirma esta esperanza en él ya que en el evangelio nos dice 'dichosos los pobres cuando los hombres los aborrezcan por causa del Hijo del Hombre, alégrese ese día porque su recompensa será grande en los cielos'. Jesus enseña a sus discípulos que algunos hombres los odiaran si son auténticos profetas. Si los discípulos hubieran preferido la gloria de los hombres en vez de la gloria de Dios, entonces se hubieran vuelto falsos profetas como describe el final del evangelio de hoy. Jesucristo llama a sus discípulos a subir a la cruz de la evangelización, así como lo hizo el confiando en su padre Dios. Los discípulos por cierto morirán por el evangelio, pero también experimentarán la resurrección y la vida en medio de la muerte. Ellos cumplirán las palabras de Jesus y San Pablo de alegrarse en medio de la persecución y el martirio por el evangelio. Así es como los pobres de espíritu ponen su confianza en Dios quien les dará la vida y la verdadera gloria en el momento de entregar sus vidas por la evangelización. Esta experiencia de resurrección es un contraste con aquellos quienes buscan la gloria de los hombres como dijo Jesus a los fariseos quienes buscaban la gloria de la gente (Juan 5:44). La vida de los discípulos y los santos nos llaman a seguir a Jesus hasta el punto de entregar nuestra vida por amor a Cristo y su iglesia y con su gracia regocijarnos en las alegrías celestiales como son el perdón de nuestros pecados y la comunión con los cristianos fieles. Los sufrimientos por el evangelio nos hacen pobres en espíritu, pero ricos en la comunión de vida con Cristo.

## WORSHIP / ADORACION



### FROM PALMS TO ASHES...

From now through Sat., Mar. 2, 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.

### ASH WEDNESDAY IS MARCH 6

Mass with Imposition of Ashes: 8:30am and 7:00pm; Liturgy of the Word with Imposition of Ashes: 12:15pm and 5:00pm. Liturgical Ministers are needed. Please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2019ASHWED>

### ST. JOSEPH HAS ARRIVED!

We are excited that our new statue of St. Joseph has now joined Mary and Jesus in enhancing our worship space! This new statue was made possible through the generous donations of so many of our brothers and sisters.

### 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 send an email to [cjeffrey@strose.com](mailto: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.

### LENTEN RETREAT: A TIME OF HEALING

#### BY STRENGTHENING OUR BRIDGE WITH JESUS CHRIST

Sat., Mar. 2, 9:00am-1:00pm. National Pastoral Musicians/DC are hosting their Lenten Retreat at St. Rose, led by Fr. Paul Colloton. Parishioners are invited to participate. COST: \$20.00. REGISTRATION (by Sat., Feb. 23): <https://tinyurl.com/NPMLENT> INFO: Remi Bauer, 240-454-5326, [rbauer@strose.com](mailto:rbauer@strose.com)

### FLU SEASON GUIDELINES

Please refrain from receiving from the chalice if you aren't feeling well. If you cannot attend Mass, view a televised Mass. The Archdiocese of Washington airs Sunday Mass at 10:30am, on WDCW-50 (Verizon: Ch. 3; Dish or Direct TV: Ch. 50); ABC Family airs Sunday Mass at 6:30am; Catholic TV broadcasts a weekly Mass from the Basilica of the National Shrine on Saturdays at 7:00pm and 11:30pm.

### 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](mailto:vahrjk@verizon.net) or 301-946-5515
- **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**: EMs are needed at the following Masses: Saturday, 5:00pm (5); Sunday, 7:30 am (2) 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](mailto: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](mailto:cjeffrey@strose.com)

## SERVICE / SERVICIO



### 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. Sign up online—visit the St. Rose website for a link to Signup Genius. INFO: Anna Smink, [annasmink@aol.com](mailto:annasmink@aol.com)



### ECO ACTION TEAM COMMENDS BARBARA SAKKESTAD

"In these times, when the world is awash in plastic, parishioner Barbara Sakkestad took action. While providing food for the Christmas Tree workers, Barbara went green; she switched to real plates, glasses and silverware, using the dishwasher to keep those reusable dishes and utensils sparkling clean and Green. By bringing Creation Care into the St. Rose kitchen, Barbara has joined forces with a number of congregations who have switched away from single-use plastics and plates. The St. Rose Eco Action Team commended Barbara Sakkestad with a Certificate of Appreciation, and are pleased that we can call our St. Rose kitchen 'Green'. Thank you, Barbara."

~ The St. Rose Eco Action Team

## EDUCATION / EDUCACION

### 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. 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, 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>

### SUMMER BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY!

ROAR! Life is Wild ~ God is Good!

July 22-26, 9:00am-12:00pm

COST: \$50/camper

Includes snack, daily craft, and CD of camp music!

Discount for volunteering all week!

REGISTRATION:

<https://strose-parish.org>

INFO: [strosesummercamp@gmail.com](mailto:strosesummercamp@gmail.com)



## 50° Aniversario de la Campaña Anual NUESTRA FE. NUESTRA ESPERANZA. NUESTRA MISIÓN.

La Campaña Anual es muy diferente a una colección especial de donaciones de sola una vez. Es una campaña de compromiso donde pueden hacer un compromiso, hoy, pagable durante diez meses que ayudará apoyar los ministerios y la misión de todas nuestras comunidades religiosas de la Iglesia de Washington. El folleto de la Campaña Anual y la hoja de Preguntas Frecuentes son disponible para su revisión. Una donación a la Campaña Anual afectará de manera muy positiva las vidas de miles de personas. Mientras revisa el trabajo habilitado por sus contribuciones, por favor reflexione sobre los regalos que Dios le ha dado. Nuestros dones colectivos no solo señalan nuestra gratitud a Dios, sino lo glorifican a Él, permitiendo el trabajo de nuestra arquidiócesis y le da la gracia a Él por todo lo que Él nos ha dado. Este año, usted puede apoyar la Campaña Anual en varias maneras. Muchos de ustedes recibieron una carta en enero por correo al que pueden responder. Se puede apoyar la Campaña en línea visitando la página web [appeal.adw.org/es](http://appeal.adw.org/es) o enviando la palabra "Give" por mensaje texto al (301) 231-1816. También ofreceremos la oportunidad de apoyar la Campaña durante misa este fin de semana. Como en todos los años, el 100% de su contribución a la Campaña Anual se designarán a los ministerios y programas respaldados por la Campaña. Gracias por su consideración y generosa respuesta.



## FROM FR. OSCAR

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



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This week I am looking forward to meeting with the Hispanic couples that are planning to get married in the summer. We are going to meet on Saturday, February 23. It will be a half day retreat for them to spend some time together with other couples and to receive some catechesis on marriage. Every marriage in the Catholic Church is a source of joy and celebration because it is the birth of a new domestic church. Husband and wife join together to love each other and be fruitful, just as God created us to love and give our lives for each other as his Son Jesus Christ did for us. The preparation for marriage is a major task of evangelization, since the Church cannot pass on the faith to her children without strong, faithful families. If husband and wife grow in faith, then they also will pass on this faith to their children. The Church feeds her children with sacramental catechesis and sacraments, especially the Sunday Mass each week. I hope the families at St. Rose may nourish themselves with the Word of God, the Sacraments, and communion with one another.

In Christ, *Father Oscar*

## COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS:

JOIN A LENTEN SMALL GROUP!

270Catholic is welcoming all young adults (ages 18-35) to join in a 6-week small group session during Lent. Small groups will meet 1 day a week, March 6 through April 17. 270Catholic is also looking for enthusiastic young adults to lead these small groups! No previous experience is required. All materials needed to get you started are provided. INFO: 270catholic.org (Announcements); Robert Stamper, 270catholic@gmail.com or message Robert on Facebook @270catholic



**MONTGOMERY COLLEGE CATHOLICS:  
JOIN THE CLUB!**

270Catholic is starting a club for Catholic students! Are you a student at the Rockville or Germantown Campus who is interested in helping, or do you know someone else who might

be? Being Catholic is a part of our identity, on campus and off. This is an opportunity to merge your college experience with your faith, and to help others do the same! If you want to learn more, contact Robert Stamper, rstamper@montgomerycollege.edu.

### PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND

July 30 - Aug. 8, 2019. Join Friar Matt Foley on pilgrimage to Poland, in the footsteps of St. John Paul II, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and St. Faustina! INFO: Laura Quigley, 301-674-5028

### NURTURING FRIENDSHIPS ON MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL

Wed., Feb. 27, 7:30-9:30pm, at Holy Redeemer Church, 9705 Summit Ave., Kensington, MD. Mont. Co. residents are invited to join the Justice and Advocacy Council of Mont. Co. in meeting Gabe Albornoz, who serves on the Council as a new At-Large Councilmember. Mr. Albornoz will discuss how he plans to respond to the needs of the poor and vulnerable in MC. Light refreshments will be served. INFO: Brian Dorsey, 240-888-4736

### 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!

### PARA SU INFORMACIÓN...

Este año, en ves de nuestra fiesta anual de agradecimiento, estamos planificando una celebración cuando el Gathering Space este terminado. ¡Cualquier cosa, les dejaremos saber!

## STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD



### GATHERING SPACE UPDATES & DONATIONS

For the latest information about our Gathering Space construction project, please visit our website at [www.strose-parish.org/gatheringspace](http://www.strose-parish.org/gatheringspace). You will find photos, progress updates, and more! If you wish to make a donation towards the Gathering Space, you may do so via our Online Giving program, our Direct Debit program, or by using the blue Capital Campaign envelopes included in the bimonthly envelope packets which are mailed to member households.

## THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

### TREASURE / TESORO Feb. 2 - 8, 2019

#### Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory .....	\$21,454
Mortgage Reduction .....	\$2,925
Capital Campaign.....	\$1,045
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$188

#### Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box .....	\$1,073
Action in Montgomery (AIM) .....	\$500

#### Financial Fact

This fiscal YTD (7/2018-2/2019), Religious Education costs were \$43,043. This includes books, materials, and supplies for our English, Spanish and Adaptive RE and Sacrament Preparation programs; catechist training; Summer Religion Camp; retreats; and Youth and Adult Faith Formation programs (including RCIA, Infant Baptism Preparation, and Marriage Preparation).

### TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO

#### Rock 'N Dance Volunteers

Thanks to all the adult and teen volunteers who helped with our inclusive Rock 'N Dance, a special evening of music, dancing, snacks, fellowship and fun, held annually for our special needs members! A wonderful time was had by all! We couldn't have done it without your help!