

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

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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: **2020:** Jan. 11 & 18, Mar. 14 & 21, May 16 (two classes in one), Sept. 12 & 19, Nov. 7 & 14

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: **2020:** Ene. 11 & 18, Mar. 14 & 21, May. 16 (dos clases en una), Sep. 12 & 19, Nov. 7 & 14

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 8, 2019

ADVENT II



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Bulletin items due 2 Fridays before publication date!

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Christmas Trees & Shoppe Árboles de Navidad y Tienda Navideña

HOURS OF OPERATION: Through Sun., Dec. 15th
Weekends - 9:00AM-8:00PM
Weekdays - 4:00-8:00PM

WREATH DECORATING: Sat., Dec. 7 & Sun., Dec. 8
9:00AM - 3:00PM

INFO: Mike Lynch,
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Share the joy & deck the halls
with wreaths, garlands & a beautiful tree!
Find unique gifts & ornaments in the Shoppe!

Many volunteers are needed.
Food donations for volunteers are appreciated!

Se necesitan muchos voluntarios.
¡Se agradecen donaciones de alimentos
para nuestros voluntarios!



NEXT WEEK /

LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

- 6:30 pm Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/LR/YC)
- 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry (SAR/STP/STJ/DGN2)
- 7:00 pm Bilingual Mass/Misa Bilingue (CH)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

- 9:30 am Worship Guide Assembly - Team A (PCW)
- 9:30 am Advent Morning of Reflection (LR)
- 9:30 am Adult Formation: Sts. Augustine & Benedict (DGN2)
- 12:00 pm OWLS Potluck Luncheon/Christmas Caroling (DGN)
- 6:30 pm Family Formation Session (PCW/BR/YC/CH/CHLL)
- 7:00 pm Advent Evening of Reflection (LR)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

- 10:00 am Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)
- 6:30 pm HS MOHO: Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)
- 7:00 pm RCIA Team (DGN1)
- 7:00 pm Unidos para Adorar (JE)
- 8:00 pm Knights of Columbus (DGN2)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

- 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00pm (HC)
- 1:00 pm Jubilee Quilters (LR)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)
- 7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (JE)
- 7:00 pm Adult Formation: Sts. Augustine & Benedict (DGN2)
- 7:00 pm Ensayo: Maria Auxiliadora Coro (KD)
- 7:30 pm RCIA Precatechumenate (STP)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

- 9:00 am Bereavement Support Group (DGN2)
- 6:30 pm 1st Reconciliation Retreat (CH/DGN/STJ)
- 6:30 pm Retiro 1^{ra} Reconciliación y Comunión (PCW/LR)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

- 7:30 am Family Formation Core Team (HC/LR2)
- 8:30 am Formación para Lectores: Equipo C (HC)
- 9:30 am Reunión de Lectores (STJ)
- 9:30 am Lector Formation: Team C (CH)
- 3:00 pm Reunión de Ujieres (BR)
- 5:00 pm Grupo de Hombres (DGN)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 | ADVENT 3

- 9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/LR/YC)
- 11:30 am Formación: Ministros de la Eucaristía (STJ)
- 4:00 pm Filipino Mass & Reception: Simbang Gabi (HC/PCW)
- 5:00 pm Adaptive Religious Education (CHLL)
- 6:30 pm Grupo de Oración (LR/BR)



IMPORTANT NOTICE / AVISO IMPORTANTE:

Parish Offices will be closed from Christmas Eve through New Year's Day. Offices will reopen on January 2, 2020. / Las oficinas de la parroquia estarán cerradas desde la Noche Buena hasta el Año Nuevo. Las oficinas se reabrirán el 2 de enero 2020.

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

3rd Sunday of Advent / 3^{er} Domingo de Adviento
December 14/15, 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. Quinn Conners |
| Sun., 11:00 am | (CH) | Fr. Quinn Conners |
| Sun., 1:00 pm | (CH) | Fr. Oscar Astigarraga (Español) |

Scriptures (Year A):

Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Ja 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11

Bread Bakers: Group 8 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team C

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

+ *Deceased* * *Living*

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|--------------|----------|---|-------------------------------|
| Mon., 12/9 | 8:30 am | + | Lucien Hueschling |
| Tue., 12/10 | 8:30 am | + | Aurora, Angel & Sergio Espada |
| Wed., 12/11 | 8:30 am | * | Maria, Meg & Grace |
| Thur., 12/12 | 8:30 am | + | Luigi Conte |
| Fri., 12/13 | 8:30 am | + | William Patrick Schneider |
| Sat., 12/14 | 5:00 pm | + | Gloria Ortwerth |
| Sun., 12/15 | 7:30 am | * | M.J. Kinsella Family |
| Sun., 12/15 | 9:00 am | + | Chuan (Antonia) Jih-Chou |
| Sun., 12/15 | 11:00 am | + | Branko Jakominich |
| Sun., 12/15 | 1:00 pm | + | Delia Turcios de Lovo |

PLEASE PRAY FOR... /



POR FAVOR RECE POR...

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Cynthia Alexander, Osvaldo Borges, Clint Botkin, Teresita Cañazares, Louisa Daley, Mary Ann Deak, Charles Eiss, John Fletemeyer, Susan Frampton, Don Gisin, Karen Hammann, Ed Heinhold, Josette Heuschling, Barbara Homon, Ken Homon, Reakha Janus, David Jaramillo, Kathy Kral, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Graciela Larco, Jimmy Long, Kevin Markwordt, César Hernan Martinez, Josie Matteredo, Dora Mayorca, Alejandro Medina Guillen, Angela Mejia Guerra, Tina Mezgebu, Maria Jose Moreno, Rosa Maria Motta Méndez, Marcelo Orellana, Paulina Orellana, William Orellana, Axel Palma, Geovanny Palma, Joseph R., Susan Raedeke, Tess Rohan, Harold Salmon Jr., Harold Salmon Sr., Patricia Sattalo, Yasmine Tashman, Jacquy Toasa, Monica Toro, Barbara Wiley, Amy Williams, Linda Winter.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Giuseppe Fiorita, brother of Maria Bousquet; Laura Pietrucha, friend of Michael Berceli; Elvia Morina Ortiz, sister of Victor Hugo Pazmino.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION / REFLEXION DE LAS ESCRITURAS

Last Sunday we heard a strong call to conversion from our sins. Jesus called us to repent and board the ark of Noah to save ourselves from the flood. This ark is the Church, the ark of mercy and love that God offers us. We had the opportunity to repent, confess our sins, and be forgiven last Tuesday evening with our liturgy of penance and reconciliation.

This second Sunday of Advent, we hear again about conversion and the fruits of repentance. On the second and third Sunday of Advent, we have the figure of St. John the Baptist. He was the last and the greatest of the prophets at the time of Jesus. He was also the closest friend and relative of Jesus during his early childhood. Jesus and John the Baptist were both full of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the coming of the kingdom of God. This Sunday, we hear one of the most important proclamations of the kingdom of God by John.

St. John the Baptist powerfully proclaims repentance from sins to the people who followed him. He even called the Pharisees a "brood of vipers" because of their hardness of heart to confess their sins. On the one hand, there were those who believed in his words, converted, and welcomed the Messiah, Jesus Christ, coming after him. On the other hand, there were those who mocked John and thought he was possessed. In a certain sense, John already anticipated the day of judgment because there was this division among his disciples between the innocent of heart and the wicked. The innocent of heart will bear fruits for eternal life, while the wicked will behead John and crucify Jesus. St. John speaks of these two kinds of people, saying that there are trees that bear fruits and trees that will be cut down at the root and thrown into the fire. In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah speaks about the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Only those who welcome the Messiah with a contrite heart may bear these seven gifts, namely wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, fear of the Lord.

Brothers and sisters, the Church is the figure of John the Baptist who proclaims repentance to prepare the coming of the Lord Jesus. In the Church, we are these trees who may or may not bear the fruits of the Holy Spirit. It is great to reflect upon our lives during this season to see what kind of disciples we are. We can be like the Pharisees that flee away from repentance, or we can accept that Jesus comes to save sinners, not to condemn us. We have our freedom and we can choose whether to confess our sins or to keep them. Let us not be afraid to shed some light on our souls so that we may make peace with God and our neighbor.

El domingo pasado escuchamos un fuerte llamado a la conversión de nuestros pecados. Jesús nos llamó a arrepentirnos y abordar el arca de Noé para salvarnos del diluvio. Este arca es la Iglesia, el arca de la misericordia y el amor que Dios nos ofrece. Tuvimos la oportunidad de arrepentirnos, confesar nuestros pecados y ser perdonados el martes pasado por la noche con nuestra liturgia de penitencia y reconciliación.

Este segundo domingo de Adviento, escuchamos nuevamente sobre la conversión y los frutos del arrepentimiento. En el segundo y tercer domingo de Adviento, tenemos la figura de San Juan Bautista. Fue el último y el más grande de los profetas en la época de Jesús. También fue el amigo más cercano y pariente de Jesús durante su infancia. Jesús y Juan el Bautista estaban llenos del Espíritu Santo para proclamar la venida del reino de Dios. Este domingo, escuchamos una de las proclamaciones más importantes del reino de Dios por parte de Juan.

San Juan Bautista proclama poderosamente el arrepentimiento de los pecados a las personas que lo siguieron. Incluso llamó "cría de víboras" a los fariseos debido a su dureza de corazón para confesar sus pecados. Por un lado, había quienes creían en sus palabras, se convirtieron y dieron la bienvenida al Mesías, Jesucristo, que venía después de él. Por otro lado, hubo quienes se burlaron de John y pensaron que estaba poseído. En cierto sentido, Juan ya anticipó el día del juicio porque había una división entre sus discípulos entre los inocentes de corazón y los malvados. Los inocentes de corazón darán frutos para la vida eterna, mientras que los impíos decapitarán a Juan y crucificarán a Jesús. San Juan habla de estos dos tipos de personas refiriéndose que hay árboles que dan frutos y árboles que serán talados en la raíz y arrojados al fuego. El profeta Isaías, en la primera lectura, habla sobre los frutos del Espíritu Santo. Solo aquellos que reciben al Mesías con un corazón contrito pueden llevar estos siete dones, que son sabiduría, comprensión, consejo, fortaleza, conocimiento, piedad, temor al Señor.

Hermanos y hermanas, la Iglesia es la figura de Juan el Bautista que proclama el arrepentimiento para preparar la venida del Señor Jesús. En la Iglesia, somos estos árboles que pueden o no dar los frutos del Espíritu Santo. Es genial reflexionar sobre nuestras vidas durante esta temporada para ver qué tipo de discípulos somos. Podemos ser como los fariseos que huyen del arrepentimiento o aceptamos que Jesús viene para salvar a los pecadores, no para condenarnos. Tenemos nuestra libertad y podemos elegir el arrepentimiento, confesar nuestros pecados o podemos optar por guardar nuestros pecados. No tengamos miedo de arrojar algo de luz sobre nuestras almas para que podamos hacer paz con Dios y nuestro prójimo.



WORSHIP / ADORACION



LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

You and your household are invited to light the Advent Wreath before a weekend Mass during Advent. SIGN UP: <https://tinyurl.com/ADVWR2019>

LA ILUMINACIÓN DE LA CORONA DE ADVIENTO

Usted y su familia están invitados a encender las velas de la corona de Adviento antes de la Misa durante el Adviento. ANOTESE: <https://tinyurl.com/ADVWR2019>

ADVENT TIME OF REFLECTION

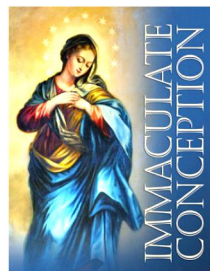
Need a break from the Christmas busyness? Come spend some time in Advent prayer and reflection. Offered twice on Tues., Dec. 10, 9:30-10:30am or 7:00-8:00pm, in the Byron Room. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE LITURGICAL YEAR

Mon., Dec. 16, 6:30-8:00pm, Woodlands. Join us as we journey through the liturgical year and talk about Mary, Saints, Sacraments and sacramentals. This special and interesting session is a favorite for those who have attended! INFO: Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADER

We are in need of people to serve as Leaders for Children's Liturgy of the Word, which occurs during the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sunday. Leaders plan a reflection for children (aged 4+) based on the Sunday readings. Materials and training are provided. All Child Protection Policy requirements must be met before serving. CONTACT: Jane Rice, 301-963-7226, [janericemail@gmail.com](mailto:janicemail@gmail.com)



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASSES / MISA DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

Join us for Mass on Mon., Dec. 9, at 8:30am in the Historic Chapel (English), and 7:00pm in the Church (Bilingual). Though it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, we encourage you to come and celebrate!

SAVE THE DATE / MARCA TU CALENDARIO



Walk with Mary / Caminando con Maria
December / Diciembre 14, 2019

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
adw.org/walkwithmary

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Americas, Extend your protection to nations all over the world and renew their fidelity to Christ. Inspire their political leaders to pursue policies of equity and justice. Protect Juan Diego's brothers and sisters from discrimination. Care for all children. Keep families united. That your clemency, your compassion, and your protection be manifested through your holy image. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.
Amen.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Madre de las Americas, Extiende tu protección a las naciones en todo el mundo y renueva su fidelidad a Cristo. Inspira a sus gobernantes a seguir políticas de equidad y justicia. Protégé a los hermanos de San Juan Diego de la discriminación. Cuida a todos los niños. Mantén a las familias unidas. Que desde tu santa imagen se manifieste siempre tu clemencia, tu compassion y tu amparo. Te lo pedimos por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.
Amen.

Virgen de Guadalupe / Our Lady of Guadalupe

Miercoles, 11 de diciembre, 8:30pm. Llega a celebrar la aparición de la Virgen de Guadalupe a San Juan Diego. Habrá procesión, Santa Misa (bilingue), ofrecimiento de flores, mañanitas con mariachi, y refrigerio al finalizar el evento. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Wed., Dec. 11, 8:30pm. Come and celebrate the appearance of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Saint Juan Diego. There will be a procession, Holy Mass (bilingual), flower offering, and serenade by mariachis. Refreshments will be provided afterwards. All are welcome!



CHRISTMAS TABLEAU

In recent years, we have had a Christmas Tableau at the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass. In order for this to occur, we need your help. We need some adults to help with one rehearsal and at the Mass. If you are interested, contact Christine Jeffrey at 240-454-5321 or cjeffrey@strose.com.

CHRISTMAS EVE + CHRISTMAS DAY

MASS SCHEDULE

Liturgical Ministers:

Please sign up to help!

<https://tinyurl.com/Christmas2019A>

CHRISTMAS EVE - CHURCH / NOCHEBUENA - IGLESIA

Tuesday, December 24 / martes, 24 de diciembre

4:00pm: English Mass - Family Choir (Fr. Oscar)

5:40pm: 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)

COMMUNITY / COMUNIDAD

GET READY FOR THE BOOK NOOK SALE!

Set aside your donations of books, CDs, DVDs and other media! Collection dates are listed below. Many volunteers are needed to help with this fabulous event! Volunteer sign-up dates will be published soon.



BOOK DROP OFF:
Dec. 28 (9:00am-3:00pm)
Dec. 29 (8:00am-2:00pm)
Dec. 30 (9:00am-3:00pm)
Dec. 31 (9:00am-3:00pm)
Woodlands Room

BOOK NOOK SALE:
Jan. 2 & 3 (9:00am-9:00pm)
Jan. 4 (9:00am-8:00pm)
Woodlands Room

O.W.L.S. POTLUCK CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Tues., Dec. 10, 12:00pm, in the Duggan Room. Join the Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors for a potluck luncheon and Christmas caroling at the piano. Bring your Christmas spirit, best voice and a dish to share. Newcomers and friends are welcome! RSVP: Linda LeBlanc, stroseowls@gmail.com or 301-963-1269

EDUCATION / EDUCACION



ADULT FAITH MENTORS NEEDED

You may be aware of the amazing Teen Faith Mentors in our Adaptive Religious Education program who dedicate their time to faithfully mentoring students with special needs in their spiritual journey. Recently St. Rose started an adult small faith group that is geared towards adults that would benefit from the same small group teaching methods. It has been a huge success and we are in need of more adult faith mentors for these young adults who have various developmental differences. The group meets once a month after the 11:00am Mass. If you are interested in becoming an adult faith mentor for our Adult Adaptive Small Faith Group, please contact Sherry Moitoza at smoitoza@strose.com.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN IN JANUARY!

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 this preparation program. *Those who have already been confirmed are also welcome to attend to learn more about the Catholic faith!* Class schedule is on the website. INFO & REGISTRATION: <http://strose-parish.org/adult-confirmation>

JUSTFAITH – LENTEN STUDY ON FOOD INSECURITY

Hunger for Change will explore the realities of food insecurity here in the United States and abroad. This study consists of eight 2 1/2 hour sessions that include prayer, dialogue, active listening and relationship building. It will be offered on Thursdays, February 6 - April 2, 2020. Some sessions may include video and/or guest speakers as well as an immersion experience. Participants will deepen their understanding through in-depth reading and viewing videos and online materials. The most essential resource is the community formed through the process. The recommended size for a group is between 8-15 participants, so space is limited. Interested? Contact Sherry Moitoza ASAP at smoitoza@strose.com. *Sign up through St. Rose, NOT via the JustFaith website.* For program information, visit www.justfaith.org.



ABRIENDO PUERTAS

Este programa de radio de la Arquidiócesis de Washington en español se transmite los domingos de 8:00-10:00am por Radio América 900AM, de 10:00-11:00am por Radio Guadalupe 1160AM, y más de 80 emisoras católicas de Estados

Unidos y Latinoamérica. Escúchelo cada semana. INFO: www.facebook.com/abriendopuertasDC.

 **SERVICE / SERVICIO****HATS, GLOVES & SCARVES COLLECTION**

Our Outreach Committee is accepting donations of NEW gloves, hats and scarves for children up to age 18. Donation bins will be in the Gathering Space through mid-December. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

THE GIFTING TREE

Bring holiday cheer to our neighbors in need! Holiday wish tags are on the Gifting Trees (in the Church Foyer, Church Lower Level, and Parish Centre Foyer). Take a gift tag from the tree, purchase the requested item, and return it (with tag affixed) under the Gifting Tree by Sun., Dec. 15.

ATTENTION FEDERAL EMPLOYEES!

Employees of the Federal government, active duty military, United States Postal Service, Federal government retirees, and Federal government contractors can support Catholic organizations which address social justice and charitable works issues through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)! To learn more or to find a charity that matches your concerns, visit <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/offering>.

SHARE CHRISTMAS JOY WITH LOCAL**REFUGEE AND ASYLUM-SEEKING FAMILIES**

Again this year, Pax Christi members are pleased to be working with refugee and asylum-seeking families from Cameroon and Ethiopia. You are invited to get involved through this year's Gifting Tree. There is also always a need for cash donations to help with rent and other expenses. Pax Christi is part of a network of Church communities supporting refugees and shares an off-site accountant. Checks should be made payable to "Dayspring Church" (please write "SRL Pax Christi" on the memo line). Send to Diana Domingues, 792 Quince Orchard Blvd. T-2, Gaithersburg, MD 20878. INFO: Bob Cooke, cookerh1251@gmail.com or 301-661-6670

21ST ANNUAL CARDINAL O'CONNOR CONFERENCE ON LIFE

Jan. 25, 2020, Georgetown University. THEME: "The Consistent Life Ethic and the Law: the Ethical Argument for Life." As pro-life issues emerge at the forefront of our legal system, particularly taking into consideration the recent passage of pro-life laws on the state level, we will consider the argument for life in both state and federal legislation. We will also consider how the consistent ethic of life informs our understanding of public morality. KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: Dr. Jonathan Reyes, Assistant General Secretary for Integral Human Development for the United States Conference of Bishops and Executive Director for Justice Peace and Human Development; Sr. Bethany Madonna, Vocations Director, Sisters of Life. INFO & TICKETS: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/twenty-first-annual-cardinal-oconnor-conference-on-life-tickets-63179334089>

STEWARDSHIP / 
CORRESPONSABILIDAD**SPECIAL COLLECTION: RETIREMENT FOR RELIGIOUS**

Dec. 7/8. This annual collection benefits nearly 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests whose communities lack retirement savings. Please place donations in the marked Poor Boxes. Thanks for your generosity!

ONLINE GIVING & DIRECT DEBIT PROGRAMS

► Online Giving: Your gifts are transferred conveniently and securely from your bank account or credit card to St. Rose. You manage your account, making changes at your convenience. SIGN UP: <https://strose-parish.org/online-giving>
► Direct Debit: The contribution amount you specify is transferred conveniently and securely from your bank account to St. Rose each month on a set date. If you wish to make a change, you notify us and we take care of it. SIGN UP: <https://strose-parish.org/treasure>

2018-2019 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

See the difference your generosity makes! View the report on our website at <https://strose-parish.org/stewardship>.

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!**TREASURE / TESORO** Nov. 23 - 29, 2019**Your Gifts to the Lord**

Offertory.....	\$19,082
Mortgage Reduction	\$744
Capital Campaign	\$147
Gift Certificate Profit	\$179

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box.....	\$954
Upper Montgomery Assistance Network	\$1,000
UpCounty Community Resources	\$500

Financial Fact

The 2018 Christmas Fundraiser netted approximately \$36,086 (income less expenses) to St. Rose's general operating fund. Will we surpass that amount this year? Be sure to get your holiday decorations and gifts at our Christmas Tree Lot & Shoppe!

TIME & TALENT / TIEMPO Y TALENTO**Kathy Irish & Cristina Stern**

These ladies have lovingly served as our parish librarians for a number of years, taking care of resources that help enrich the faith lives of our parishioners. Kathy and Cristina are now "retiring." If you are interested in curating the library, please contact Christine Jeffrey, cjeffrey@strose.com.