

Saint Rose of Lima

~ Follow the Way of Love ~



Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026

PARISH RESOURCES

Welcome to our Parish!

We are happy you have joined us today. Saint Rose of Lima Parish is a warm and inviting faith community. A place where you and your family will feel welcomed and at home - as you are, whoever you are; a place where children are cherished and where their voices and enthusiasm are welcomed. We are a stewardship parish, sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure as we journey together in faith.

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Welcome New Parishioners

No matter what your present status in the Church, your current marital status, your personal story, age, background, race, etc. all are welcome here! If new to Saint Rose, welcome, we look forward to meeting you, please stop by and introduce yourselves.

To register as a new member of our parish family, call the parish office: 508-393-2413 or register online at: saintroseoflima.com/how-to-join

Mass Schedule

Weekday | Monday 9:00 AM; Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 AM

Lord's Day | Saturday 5:00* PM; Sunday 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 AM & 5:00 PM Life Teen Mass

Holy Days | 8:30 AM & 7:30 PM

*Please note that the Saturday 5 PM Mass is both in-person and livestreamed.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 PM or by appointment

Prayer

Church | The church is open: 8 :30 AM - 8 PM daily

Adoration | Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Church

Rosary | Tuesdays, 6:15 PM | Church

Communications

Flocknotes | Receive email notifications about important parish events. Join online: saintroseoflima.com or text 84576, keyword: stroseoflima

FaceBook | Follow us on FaceBook, join our online community and join us for our live-streamed Mass each Saturday at 5 PM.

[Facebook.com/StRoseofLimaParish](https://www.facebook.com/StRoseofLimaParish)

Stewardship of Treasure



Average weekly donations for the month of February \$12,620 Average # of donors (*207)

The Church in Latin America ~ \$2,013

* Envelopes plus online donors

Question of the Week: *Source of Strength*
Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

Adults: *Where have you found a source of "living water" for your own journey of faith?*

Kids: *Name some times when your belief in Jesus helped make you stronger.*



Parish Prayer Intention for the week

That as we are called to be instruments of peace, we may choose words that heal rather than hurt, speak with gentleness and charity, and refrain from harsh language and rash judgment

Third Week of Lent Nourishing Futures in Guatemala

In Guatemala, nutrition classes and savings programs give mothers and families better opportunities to improve their health, nutrition and financial well-being. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-3 to read how your support of CRS Rice Bowl is helping the Guatemala community thrive.



Palm Sunday

March 28 5PM
March 29 8AM | 10AM | 11:30AM
5PM



Blessed Triduum Three Days, One Service



Holy Thursday 7 PM



Good Friday 7PM



Easter Vigil 7:30 PM

Easter

April 5
8 AM | 10 AM | 11:30 AM

Easter Egg Hunt following the 10 AM Mass

Follow the Way of Love

A Message from the Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend the Gospel presents us with the encounter of Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well. This powerful encounter reminds us that the Lord comes to our encounter this season to transform our hearts.

At the 10:00 a.m. Mass this weekend, we will celebrate the First Scrutiny with our catechumens as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. The Scrutinies are ancient prayers of the Church in which we ask God to search their hearts, strengthen what is good, heal what is wounded, and free them from anything that keeps them from fully embracing Christ. These prayers are deeply hopeful. They focus not on sin, but on transformation.

These prayers are meant for the whole community as well. As we intercede for them, we are invited to let the Lord examine our own lives. Where am I spiritually thirsty? What needs healing or renewal?

Lent gives us concrete tools: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Through prayer, we sit with Jesus at the well. Through fasting, we recognize our deeper hunger for Him. Through almsgiving, we allow His presence to overflow into love for others.

As a parish community, especially in this anniversary year, we are reminded that faith is always a journey we walk together. Let us surround our catechumens with prayer and encouragement. And let us allow their journey toward Baptism to renew our own baptismal promises.

Love you all,

Fr. Juan

140 Acts of Service Challenge

Each month, together, we will complete 140 acts of service. Every act counts, no matter how small. Let's celebrate our anniversary by putting love into action!

Fill out a service card and place it in the basket next to the heart display at the back of the Church.



Volunteers are needed to help with our Alpha meals. Interested? Sign up using the QR code below. Salads, desserts, main course - all help is appreciated. Thanks in advance for helping our guests to feel nourished and loved. ❤️

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS



JOIN US!



Interested?
Contact Theresa at
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there's a seat for you at the table



Curious about faith?

At Alpha, you can ask anything—it's a safe space to question life, faith, and meaning. Everyone is welcome.



Find community & explore life's big questions together



Enjoy a meal



Watch a short video



Engage in an open discussion

Join us

Tues | 6:30PM | Hall

as we explore big questions about life, faith, and meaning together!

The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 8

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 8:45 am, FLC
- Grade 1 Religious Ed, 8:45 am, FLC
- First Scrutiny, 10:00 am Mass
- Grades 6/7/8 Mass, 10:00 am
- OCIA, 11:00 am, FLC
- Sacramental Prep, 11:00 am,
- Life Teen band rehearsal, 3:30 pm, church
- Life Teen Mass, 5:00 pm

Monday, March 9

- Faith Sharing, 9:45 am, FLC
- Grade 5 Religious Ed, 4:00 pm, FLC
- Middle School Religious Ed, 6:30 pm, FLC
- Parish Council meeting, 6:30 pm, FLC

Tuesday, March 10

- Thrift Shop, 10:00 am-2:00 pm, parish hall
- Rosary, 10:30 am, Whitney Place
- Grade 2 Religious Ed, 4:00 pm, FLC
- Alpha, 6:30 pm, parish hall
- Rosary, 6:15 pm, church
- Band practice, 7:00 pm, church

Wednesday, March 11

- Faith Sharing, 10:00 am, FLC
- Grade 3 Religious Ed, 4:00 pm, FLC
- Pizza & prayer, HS event, 6:00 pm, FLC
- LTLN Core meeting, 7:00 pm, FLC
- Lenten Reconciliation, 7:00-8:00 pm, church

Thursday, March 12

- Grade 4 Religious Ed, 4:00 pm, FLC
- Book group, 6:30 pm, FLC
- Choir rehearsal, 7:00 pm, church
- Scout meeting, 7:00 pm, parish hall

Friday, March 13

- Lenten Soup Supper, 6:00 pm, parish hall
- Stations of the Cross, 7:00 pm, church

Saturday, March 14

- Cantor training, 10:00 am, church

Sunday, March 15

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 8:45 am, FLC
- Grade 1 Religious Ed, 8:45 am, FLC
- Second Scrutiny, 10:00 am Mass
- OCIA, 11:00 am, FLC
- Sacramental Prep, 11:00 am, FLC
- Passionists Assoc. meeting, 1:00 pm, FLC
- Life Teen band rehearsal, 3:30 pm, church
- Life Teen Mass, 5:00 pm
- Life Night, 6:00 pm, parish hall



Mass Intentions

Saturday March 7 Vigil Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM †Anthony J. Mallozzi, 12th Anniversary (Paul & Maria, Jennifer & Frank, Rich & Julie)

Sunday March 8 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Theresa Anderson (Pat & Lora)
 10:00 AM †Al Zaterka (Terry & Amy Halloran)
 11:30 AM †Diane M. Santangelo (Dominic Santangelo)
 5:00 PM †Joseph C. McCollum (David Family)

Monday March 9

9:00 AM †Francis Larkin (Currier Family)

Tuesday March 10

8:30 AM †Christine Budek (Dan & Maryann Mackowiak)

Wednesday March 11

8:30 AM †Ralph Aucoin (Denise Aucoin)

Saturday March 14 Vigil Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM †Yolanda Kollar (Paul & Laura Garber)

Sunday March 15 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Judith Cappello (Susan & Mike Carta)
 10:00 AM †Kristen Whitney (John & Jinx Clancy)
 11:30 AM †Diane M. Santangelo (Dominic Santangelo)
 5:00 PM †Anthony Fragomeni (David Family)



Saturday, March 14

5:00 PM **Eucharistic Ministers:** L. Garber, P. Garber, S. McGoldrick
Lector: S. Landgren
Altar Servers: C. McGinty, M. McGinty, K. McGinty

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM **Eucharistic Ministers:** L. Richer, L. Hagen, L. Dancy
Lector: A. Dancy
Altar Servers: A. Bathyacha
 10:00 AM **Eucharist: Ministers:** K. Bergeron, M. Niedzieski, J. Rhinhart, K. Bachand
Lector: P. Quillen
Altar Servers: A. Ruggieri, E. Lorilla, J. Varney
 11:30 AM **Eucharistic Ministers:** E. Li, R. Reyes
Lector: J. Christensen
Altar Servers: M. Rodriguez, E. Malzekai



Coffee Shop Ministry Hosting Schedule

March 15	March 22
8am J. Colebourn	8am P. Cieslica
10am J. Clancy	10am S. Fugardi



Had enough of ice and snow?

The St. Rose Community Garden Committee is thinking spring! Join us for our planning meeting: March 22nd after the 10am Mass in the Family Life Center.





Help Brighten Easter for Local Families!

The St. Rose Youth Service League is collecting food to help 70 Northborough families enjoy a joyful Easter dinner.

How You Can Help

- Pick up a donation tag in the gathering space
- Purchase the listed item
- Return donated items by Sunday March 29

Tags available starting Saturday, March 21

Fresh Food Items only
Please drop off on Sunday, March 29, 2026

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Third Sunday of Lent

If you had all the water you'd like to drink today, do you think you could go until next week without drinking anything? Water is so important that without it, people become sick in a very short time. In the Gospel this week, Jesus used our need for water to explain that he offers us life in heaven with him that will not depend on water. When we have faith in Jesus, we have eternal life.



Children's Liturgy of the Word – K and Grade 1 During the 10AM Mass

March 8
March 15

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Sunday, March 8 8:45 – 9:45 AM
Sunday, March 15 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Elementary Classes

Grade 1 Sunday	Mar. 8	8:45 – 9:45 AM
Grade 1 Sunday	Mar. 15	8:45 – 9:45 AM
Grade 2 Tuesday	Mar. 10	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 2 Tuesday	Mar. 17	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 3 Wednesday	Mar. 11	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 3 Wednesday	Mar. 18	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 4 Thursday	Mar. 12	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 4 Thursday	Mar. 19	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 5 Monday	Mar. 9	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Grade 5 Monday	Mar. 16	4:00 – 5:00 PM

Middle School Classes

Monday, March 9 6:30 – 7:45 PM
Monday, March 16 6:30 – 7:45 PM

LIFE TEEN – Sunday 5:00PM Mass is open to all!

Life Night for HS Teens

Sunday, March 15 6:00 – 8:00 PM

PURPOSE/CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, March 7 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Confirmation Celebration

Thursday, April 30 7:00 PM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Rainforest Falls – Exploring the Nature of God

July 13 – 17 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

Registration is open!

PIZZA AND PRAYER - HS TEENS

LENTEN WEDNESDAYS | 6-7:30PM | HALL



All High School Teens are invited. Meet others and come closer to Christ as we journey together Wednesday evenings, beginning Feb 25th. After nourishing our souls we'll nourish our stomachs and connections with food, fun and fellowship. Sign up in the gathering space or scan barcode

Contact Marisol: mbermudez-ellis@saintroseoflima.com for more information.



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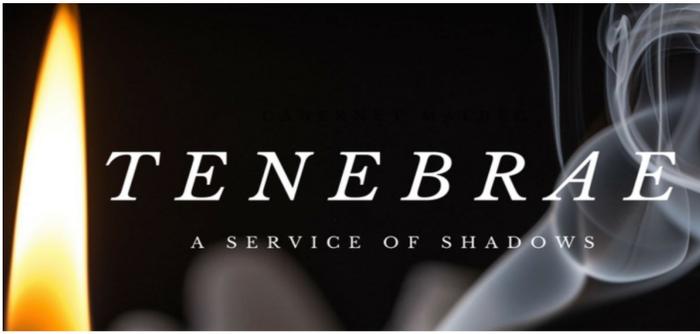
Save the Date

Tuesday, March 24th



St. Rose will be providing a meal for patrons of the Mustard Seed. Click on the QR code below to sign up to help.





March 25 | 7 pm

A service of light and darkness. Candles are gradually extinguished as we pray with Scripture and music, until we are enveloped in darkness, briefly meditating on Christ's death and ultimate victory over darkness and the grave.



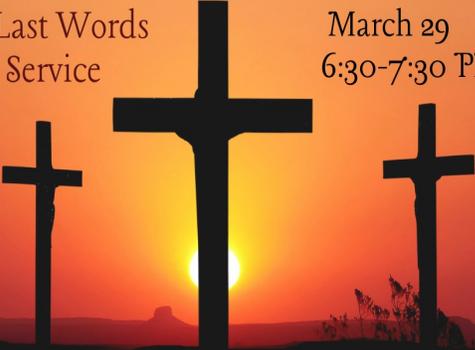
Soup & Stations

(Join us)

Fridays during Lent
Soup: 6 pm in the Parish Hall
Stations: 7pm in the Church



Seven Last Words Prayer Service March 29
6:30-7:30 PM



Experience this moving prayer service!

Seven parishioners share personal reflections on how the Seven Last Words of Jesus speak to their lives today. With beautiful, reflective music, including the violin, this deeply touching prayer service is not to be missed!

EVENING OF Reconciliation

MARCH **11** **7-8 pm**

THERE WILL BE NO PRAYER SERVICE COME ANY TIME DURING THE HOUR

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." *Matthew 11:28*



April 4th | 9AM



EASTER DECORATING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please join us and help transform our church from Good Friday to Easter. Coffee and donuts provided.

25TH ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE AT THE DCU CENTER

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