

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

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Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. – Saturday Vigil • 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. – Sunday
12:00 p.m. - Sunday Spanish Mass

St. Rose School Office

Rosanne Gallia – Principal
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St. Rose CCD

Grades 1-8 - Nicole Michalke
Grades 9-11 - Lynne Machac

Sacrament of Confession

4:30 p.m. Saturday or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment. Parents must be registered members in the parish. Instruction for parents and godparents is required.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Parties should contact the parish office 6 months prior to date of wedding to allow time for the required "Engaged Encounter" Course.

Holiday & Weekday Masses

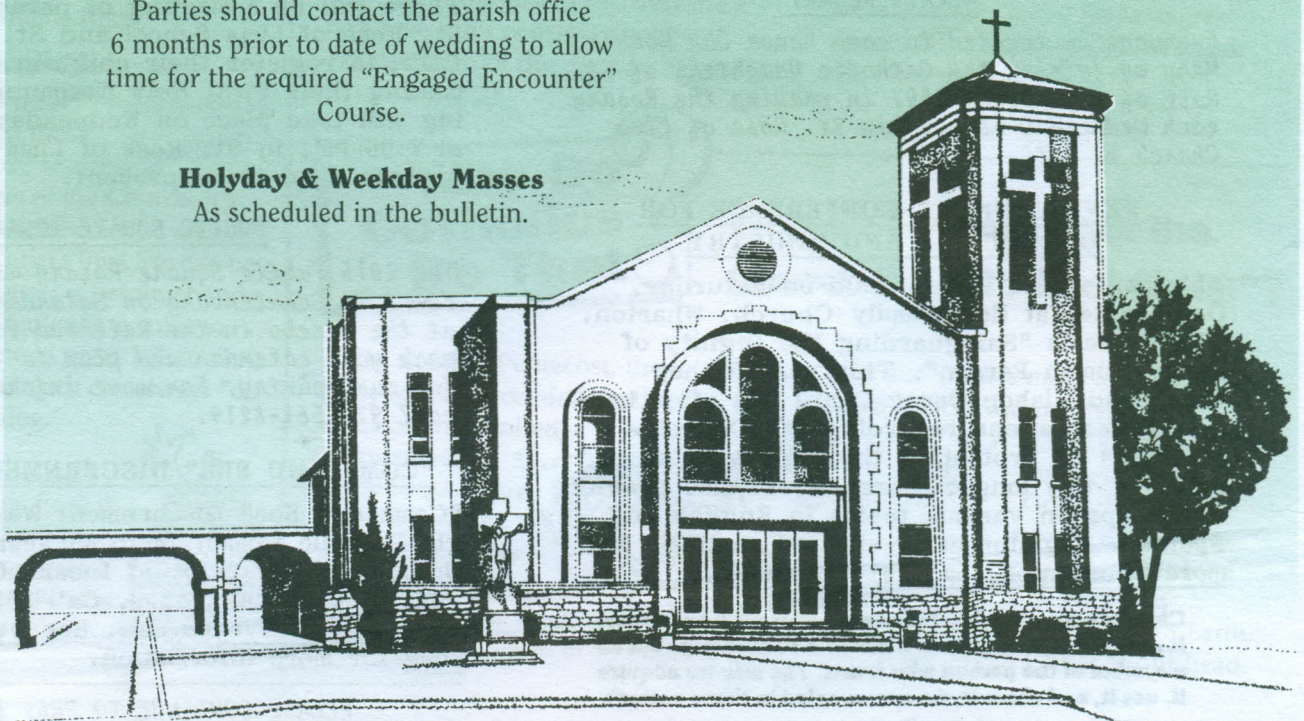
As scheduled in the bulletin.

Newcomers

Welcome to all new parishioners.
Please come by or call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday – 5:00 p.m.





The Pharisees were troublemakers. Their greatest pleasure was to question Jesus on legalistic issues. In Mark 10:2-16, they tested Jesus on the question of divorce. Jesus granted that the law of Moses allowed for divorce, although this was not God's desire for His people. God wants harmony and reconciliation between people, not discord and division.



Later in the passage, children came to Jesus, but the disciples tried to chase them away. Jesus said, "Let them come."

This is what Jesus says to all those who wonder if they have any value or worth: "Let them come." Let children come. Let divorced people come. Everyone is welcome. What God has given them -- namely, Jesus -- let none of us take away.

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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$4,651.42.

MANY THANKS!

WEEKLY ROSARY

Everyone is invited to come honor Our Mother Mary by joining the Catholic Daughters of St. Rose of Lima Court 1597 in praying the Rosary each Wednesday morning in St. Rose of Lima Church at 8:30.

XXVIII ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR CATECHESIS AND MINISTRY

This conference will be held on Saturday, October 24, at Holy Family Church, Wharton. The theme is "Safeguarding the Dignity of Every Human Person". This year Bishop Cahill and Bishop Oscar Cantu will offer keynote presentations regarding the Church's teachings on protecting the dignity of all people. The day long conference will also provide workshops on various topics in English and Spanish. Register early--limited seating. For more information, call 361-573-0828.

Christian Stewardship takes a positive view on money. It sees money not only as a medium of exchange but as a symbol of the person who has it. The way we acquire it, use it, and share it, we are revealed in those actions.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY



Through the words of Holy Scripture (the Bible) and the prayerful words of the Church, we have in a combined way, the Hail Mary. What a beautiful way one can give authentic honor to our Blessed Mother, the Mother of God.

The whole month of October is offered by the Church (you and I) in her honor. If you have gotten out of the practice of saying the Rosary, why not spend a few minutes each day with the Rosary, or better yet, introduce your family -- if you haven't done so already -- to the mystery, beauty, and miracle of the Rosary. Wednesday, October 7, is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

TIPS FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY

Before beginning, ask Mary to help you pray devoutly. If you are distracted during the Rosary, just continue -- don't stop or back-track or repeat. After the Rosary, offer it to Mary with your distractions -- as a child offering a bouquet to her mother. Even if it is not perfect, it is offered with love.

NEEDED

St. Rose CCD Program is in need of teachers for 2nd and 7th grade, and also teachers are needed for the high school as well as aides. Please call the Parish Office if you can help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a meeting of parents, for both St. Rose of Lima School and St. Rose of Lima CCD, to register their children who will be making their First Holy Communion. This meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00 PM, in St. Rose of Lima Church. Both parents need to be present.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

The 2015 Public Square Rosary will be held in downtown Schulenburg on Saturday, October 10, at the gazebo in the Railroad Park. Please mark your calendar and plan to join in prayer for our country. For more information, please call 979-561-8219.

"COME AND SEE" DISCERNMENT WEEKEND

"Come and See" Discernment Weekend for single Catholic women 18 to 50 years of age on October 10-11, 2015, at Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria, Texas. Call 361-575-7111 or email iwbsvoc@yahoo.com. See www.iwbsvictoria.org for more information.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR RAIN!



**News from your Parish School
St. Francis of Assisi**

St. Rose of Lima Catholic School will be holding its annual blessing of animals on Monday, October 5 at 2:30 p.m. in the back parking lot. All are invited to bring their pets for to this special service for a blessing

St. Francis was a wealthy young man of privilege, served as a soldier and was a prisoner of war. He heard God's call and went on to be one of the most venerated Catholic saints. He designed the first nativity set and was the first man every recorded to receive the Stigmata, the wounds of Christ.

Francis' brotherhood included all of God's creation. Francis really felt that nature, all God's creations, were part of his brotherhood. The sparrow was as much his brother as the pope.



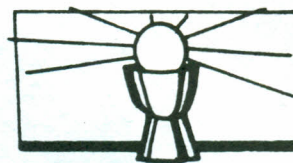
St. Francis

*"Your deeds may be the only sermon some persons hear today."
-St. Francis of Assisi*

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**Masses
of the
Week**




- MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
6:00 PM Ervin & Dorothy Kleiber
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6
7:00 AM Linda Hinkel
6:00 PM Daniel Wagner - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 5-6 PM
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7
6:00 PM Joe & Rosie Balcar
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8
8:10 AM Wilbur & Marietta Hranicky
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9
6:00 PM Melvin Schilhab
- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
5:00 PM Gus, Emma & Georgie Miksch
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
7:30 AM Deceased Victor Michalec Family
10:00 AM Joseph & Wilma Dittrich
12:00 PM Marcelino Rodriguez-Spanish Mass

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GIFT BEARERS

- OCT. 10 5:00 PM - Gus Miksch Family
OCT. 11 7:30 AM - Victor Michalec Family
10:00 AM - Joseph Dittrich Family

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 Flowers on the altar today are given by Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wick, in memory of their son, Michael.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. ROSE 1597 will meet on Monday, October 5, at 6:30 PM--Social and 7:00 PM Meeting, in the St. Rose Family Life Center Meeting Room. Hostesses: Chairperson--Maggie Demel, Joyce Dittrich, Ruth Fabian, Annie Fietsam, Earline Fietsam, and Ann Florus.

TODAY IS
RESPECT LIFE
SUNDAY.

**A baby is God's
opinion that the world
should go on.**



ST. ROSE MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

| | <u>SATURDAY</u> OCTOBER 10 5:00 p.m. | <u>SUNDAY</u> OCTOBER 11 7:30 a.m. | <u>SUNDAY</u> OCTOBER 11 10:00 a.m. |
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| ROSARY LEADERS | Kenneth Miksch | Ted & Gloria Kolek | Jerome & Charlene Kolenovsky |
| LECTORS | Phyllis Venghaus | Donna Kunz | Gigi Marburger |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER | Kenneth Miksch | Kenneth Berger | Lynne Machac |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Wesley Liere Jessica Pope, Katelyn Sassin | Blane Warnken Blaine Zapalac, Blake Meyer | Hannah, Hunter and Hayden Schulz |
| USHERS | Jeff Proske, Jason Muras Darren Florus, Wayne Holub | Leroy Lebeda, Otto Kocian Allen Matus, John Schindler | Ronald Schilhab, David Machac Bruce Treybig, Michael Ripper |

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One Minute Meditations

St. Teresa of Avila

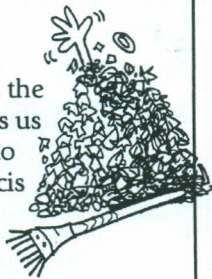
Born in 1515, Teresa joined the Carmelites —over family objections —in 1534.

Soon after, she became so ill that the sisters dug a grave for her. Teresa recovered and wrote a book on prayer called *The Interior Castle*, based on her suffering. In 1563, she founded a stricter order whose nuns wore rough brown habits and sandals instead of shoes. St. Teresa founded more than 17 convents of Discalced Carmelites and helped reform the Carmelite friars.

Love in Action

When we see others suffering, we might think, "The Church should do something." Yet as members of the Church, it's our job to take action and share Christ's love. We can be a listening ear, a helping hand, or an encouraging voice to someone in need. Whatever it is, the Church can always "do something."

"Faith does not remove us from the world, but draws us more deeply into it." Pope Francis



Choose to live a free life

God gave us free will so we can make our own choices and be free. Popular culture tells us freedom means doing whatever we choose even if that includes sin. Yet, true freedom is being open to God's love and closed to sin. *"Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil"* (1 Peter 2:16). We are at our freest when we choose for good.

Don't give away your freedom. Sin can overtake us without our noticing. For example, sharing one juicy secret may make us feel popular but over time, gossip can become a habit we can't control. A nightly examination of the day can help

identify sinful actions before they become habits. Monthly visits to the Sacrament of Reconciliation will also sharpen that sense of sin.

Freely choose love. God won't force us to love him; he hopes we will choose it.

Often, we don't approach him because we feel unworthy, guilty, or distant. Instead, choose to believe that God's love is stronger than our sin or guilt. When we have faith that he loves us, we are free to love him back.

Choose for good.

Consistently making good and moral choices in today's society is hard but it leads to great reward. The more we choose good, the freer we become.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call the Church the "Body of Christ"?

On the first Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles and united them as one Body to continue Christ's saving work. *"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or*

free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13).

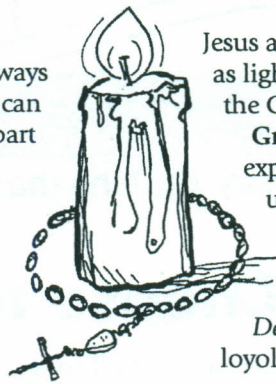
The Church is made up of all God's people, united by Baptism, each with a unique role. We act as Christ's Body on Earth, with Christ as our head.



Devotions for each of us

The graces we get from the Mass are essential, but sometimes we feel called to do more to keep God always in our thoughts throughout the day. That's when we can draw on devotions - external religious practices not part of the official liturgy of the Catholic Church. There are so many from which to choose and can be as unique as we are.

Something for everyone. The more devotions we know, the more we can use. Popular choices include the Rosary, novenas, adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, and celebrations in honor of



Jesus and the saints. There are seasonal devotions, such as lighting an Advent wreath or praying the Stations of the Cross during Lent.

Grow in love. Devotions are designed to help us experience God in everyday life. Their regular use help us to see God anew and fall in love with him more each day. Find one - or more - that works for you.

Note: for ideas, try *A Prayer Book of Catholic Devotions* (Loyola Press, 800-621-1008, loyolapress.com).

from Scripture

Mark 10:46-52, a blind man leads

Bartimaeus was a blind beggar who saw Jesus clearly. When he heard that Jesus was near he cried out, "Son of David," a title reserved for the Messiah. Although people tried to quiet him, Bartimaeus persisted until Jesus noticed him and called him over.

Immediately, Bartimaeus threw off his cloak and ran to Jesus' side. Even the little he had was discarded to get to Jesus.

Bartimaeus stood before Jesus humbly, but he was confident that Jesus had the power to do whatever he asked. The only person in Mark's gospel to call Jesus, "Master," Bartimaeus asked Jesus



for his sight. When his prayer was answered, Bartimaeus followed Jesus as his disciple.

It is this profound trust that Jesus wants to elicit from the crowd - and from us. The difficulties of being Christian in a secular world can blind us to the joys

of following Jesus. Try to approach Jesus with excitement and humble confidence. When we trust him as Bartimaeus did, we become true disciples who can tackle the difficult task of leading others down the road to God.



Q & A

Does Original Sin make us sin?

The effects of Original Sin are frustratingly familiar. For example, who hasn't had the temptation to ignore our conscience? That is always a red flag that something is a sin.

Maybe it was because the temptation looked like fun, because it was easier than doing the right thing, or because someone cool was doing it.

This desire to do things that are contrary to what our conscience tells us is called "concupiscence." St. Paul says it well: "For I do not do the good I want, but I do the evil I do not want" (Romans 7:19).

The good news is that God's love is bigger than our sin. Christ set us free from the power of sin and death. Through his death and Resurrection, he healed humanity's broken relationship with God. "Just as through the disobedience of one person the many were made sinners, so through the obedience of one the many will be made righteous" (Romans 5:19). Fighting against the temptation to sin is hard, but not impossible.



Feasts & Celebrations

Oct. 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary (1571). Pope Pius V created this feast in thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory who helped the Christians defeat the Ottoman Turks. Since they credited their success to praying the Rosary, the feast was renamed Our Lady of the Rosary by Pope Gregory XIII.

October 16 - St. Hedwig (1243). Born to the Duke of Croatia, Hedwig married the Duke Henry of Silesia, the head of the Polish Royal family. They had a happy marriage and together founded a convent, hospitals, and monasteries. After his death, Hedwig

became a Cistercian nun, keeping her wealth only to spend her fortune on charity.

October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch (1st century). Successor to St. Peter as the second bishop of Antioch, Ignatius encouraged obedience to bishops all over the world saying, "Wherever the bishop is, there let the people be, for there is the Catholic Church." He reminded people that Jesus is present in the Church and in one another.



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