



Light of the World





Dear Parishioners:

Today, the feast of Christmas, is a feast of joy and peace. It is a day on which we call to mind the great love of God, Our Father, for all mankind. We recall that God now dwells among us, that He has entered into our time and our history and that He is truly Our Father and we are truly His people.

The peace of Christmas is the peace of God's loving presence, it is the peace of His son and His spirit who lives among us and guides us. This is the peace that we are now called upon to share, the peace that is given to all those who are able to believe in the mystery of God's abounding love for all humanity.

It is our hope that Christ will be born anew in your minds and hearts today on Christmas Day. May the Infant bring you His peace, joy and love.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. Tim*

*Fr. Zy*



OUR OFFERING TO GOD

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$4,821.00.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: \$973.00.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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#### CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Next weekend, December 31-January 1, the usual monthly Church Building Fund collection will be taken. Thank you for your kindness in the past, and look forward to your continued support. Again, this year, the building fund envelopes are provided in your envelope set.

#### WEEKLY ROSARY

Everyone is invited to come and pray the Rosary on Wednesday morning at 8:30, in St. Rose of Lima Church.

#### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Friday, December 30, is the Feast of the Holy Family. We commemorate this special couple and their child. They were a family with all the struggles that any family has. Namely, they were like our own families -- a carpenter, a housewife, and their precocious child. He even scared them in Jerusalem but He subjected Himself to them and obeyed them. It was probably not easy many a day for the three of them, but then it isn't for us either. Let us always remember that this family serves for us as a model on which we can mirror our own family experiences. It is not an ideal, but a reality.

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#### NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Anyone interested in being a new altar server, please contact Kenneth Miksch (979-966-3579). Classes will begin soon. One must be in the 4th grade or above to be eligible.

A FREE CONCERT with Eric Genuis, hosted by God's Embrace Ministries, will be held on Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at 7:00 PM, in St. Michael Church, Weimar, Texas. Tickets are required for entry--reserve your tickets at [www.gods-embrace.org/events](http://www.gods-embrace.org/events)

#### AMONG OUR SICK

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Cara Seay, Roy Christ, Bruce Gillings, Gordon Ross, Diane Ritchie, Martin Ripper, Jr., Eugene Schimcek, Connor Machicek, Nelson/Alice Jochen, Alice Hollas, Geri Brown, Jordan Okruhlik, Doris Anders, Elmarine Matus, Keith Beyer, Martha Huebner, LeeRoy Nelson, Leo Ernstes, Jo Lane Schwenke, Ovella Stuchly, Nate Boehl, Phillip Tucker, Royce Shimek, Gary Quinton, Clorisa Hartensteiner, Walter Ripper, Blakeleigh Ripper, Aline Mendel, Chris Hooper, Frank Segura, Scott Spence, Sharon Cernosek, Luke Friedel, Janet Machac, Rita Brossmann, Jim Masek, David Taylor, Ernie Mensik, Gene Berger, Harry Macik, Johnnie Fowlkes, Damian Janacek, Frances Anderle, ill priests of the Diocese, and those in nursing homes and the homebound.

HELP SUPPORT ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL by purchasing a \$5.00 raffle ticket for the Catholic Schools Sweepstakes. Grand prize is a 2017 Ford F-150 Truck or 2017 Ford Fusion Sedan or \$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card. Tickets may be purchased at the St. Rose Parish Office. Deadline to buy your tickets will be January 3, 2017!

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Monday, December 26.

THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE.





News from your Parish School

*A blessed Christmas to you!*



*A silent night, a star above,  
A blessed gift of hope and love.*

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**Mass Intentions**

- MONDAY, DECEMBER 26  
8:10 AM Gladys Blaschke
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27  
6:00 PM Karl & Judy Kothmann & Jody Powers--Exposition Bl. Sac. 5-6
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28  
6:00 PM Lydia Kaminski
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29  
8:10 AM Linda Hinkel
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30  
6:00 PM Felix, Anna Okruhlik & Family
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31-Vigil/Sol. of Mary  
5:00 PM Mark Henneke
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 1-SOLEMNNITY OF MARY  
7:30 AM Parish Family  
10:00 AM Edwin E. & Lois Orsak  
12:00 PM Javier Herrera - Spanish Mass

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GIFT BEARERS

- DEC. 31 5:00 PM - Mark Henneke Family  
JAN. 01 7:30 AM - Michael & Cathy Friedrich  
10:00 AM - Edwin E. Orsak Family

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PASTORAL INSTITUTE EXTENDED - Spring 2017 Registration--Trinity--Tuesdays, January 10--through February 14, 2017--Mornings 9:15-11:30 or Evenings 7:00-9:15 PM. Classes will be broadcast from the St. Mary's Activity Center, 401 S. Liberty, Victoria, TX 77901 to: Wharton, Mentz, Hallettsville, and Shiner. Register and pay online <http://www.victoriadiocese.org/extended-program> or call 361/573-0828, ext. 2223 or ext. 2227 for more information.



9TH ANNUAL "ROCK 'N ROLL FOR THE RED AND WHITE" featuring The Triumphs at Swiss Alp Hall benefiting St. Rose of Lima School on Saturday, February 18, 2017. Private tables are available for \$50 per person, and general admission tickets are \$40. The event will include a silent auction of "Romantic Getaways", and a live auction featuring an autographed, framed "Born in The U.S.A." Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band album, and an autographed, framed Bob Dylan album. General admission tickets are available at the St. Rose School Office (979-743-3080) the Parish Office (979-743-3117), or for private tickets contact Laura Fogle (979-743-9095).

**ST. ROSE MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD**



Mary, Mother of God

	<u>SATURDAY</u> <u>DECEMBER 31 5:00 P.M.</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u> <u>JANUARY 1 7:30 A.M.</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u> <u>JANUARY 1 10:00 A.M.</u>
ROSARY LEADERS	Clara Schindler	Kenneth & Louise Berger	Jim & Adela Luksovsky
LECTORS	Dion O'Kelley	Donna Kunz	Jeannie Mican
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	Phyllis Venghaus	Darren Kunz	Dee Ann Hooper
ALTAR SERVERS	Kenny Schramek Jessica Pope, Katelyn Sassin	Blane Warnken Becca Wagner, Ashley Pesl	Meredith Magliolo Alex Barnhill, Bennett Barber
USHERS	Jeff Proske, Jason Muras Darren Florus, Wayne Holub	Corky Bubela, Raymond Shimek Allen Matus, John Schindler	Ronald Schilhab, Dylan Schilhab Bruce Treybig, Michael Ripper



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