

ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Short Hills, NJ

SIXTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

September 13, 2026

Mass Times

Sunday 5:30 PM Anticipated
7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM

Weekday Mon - Sat 9:00 AM

Weekly Penance

Saturday 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Pastor

V. Reverend Larry Evans, II, V.F.

St. Rose of Lima Parish

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Office hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
(Closed 12:30-1:30 PM)

Website www.stroseshorthills.org

St. Rose of Lima Academy 973-379-3973



Upcoming Events

- Sun, Sept 13 **Sixth World Day for Grandparents & Elderly**
Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30 AM Mass
Mass 5:30 PM (Anticipated)
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM Mass
- Mon, Sept 14 St Rose of Lima Academy Mass 9:00 AM
Triumph of the Holy Cross
Life Lighters Meeting, 11 AM, Ryan Hall
- Tue, Sept 15 Ladies Auxiliary - Beginners Mahjong Class, 10AM
See flyer for details and registration
- Wed, Sept 16 Men's Group Meeting, Ryan Hall
- Thu, Sept 17 Baptism Sign Up Meeting with Sr. Sandy DeMasi
- Fri, Sept 18 Ladies Auxiliary - Volunteer at St. John's Kitchen
9:00 AM. See flyer for registration.
- Fri, Sept 19 Women's Prayer Group (Zoom), 10:00 AM
- Sun, Sept 20 **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Catechetical Sunday
Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30 AM Mass
Mass 5:30 PM (Anticipated)
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM Mass
Fall Bereavement Group Meeting, 1 PM, Dougherty
Bible Study; Book of Mark, 1:15 PM, Devine Conf.
Our Lady of Good Health Mass, 3:00 PM
followed by reception in Ryan Hall
- Tue, Sept 22 Movie Night, 7:30 PM, Devine Conference Room

The life of our parish is guided by the parish mission which is to educate, form and transform persons into disciples of Christ and to foster their active participation in the life, work and mission of the Church. All parishes are called to be “schools of discipleship” assisting the People of God with the ongoing life long conversion required to be followers of Jesus Christ. It is in our parishes, families and in the world that we are living witnesses to Christ’s love and the faith we profess. Discipleship is our invitation to continue Christ’s saving mission here and now and through generous stewardship change the world!

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 Reconciliation, Individual confessions Saturdays following 9:00am Mass and 4:30pm - 5:00pm
 Sacrament of the Sick or Eucharist for Homebound Please call the Parish Office for assistance
 Parish Office Hours **Mon–Fri 9:00am to 3:00 pm** (closed 12:30–1:30pm)

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, September 13

7:30 am Leticia Kopyta

9:30 am Joann Marie Porfiris

11:30 am Meghan Smith

Monday, September 14

9:00 am Kathleen, Patrick & Ann Mulrooney

Tuesday, September 15

9:00 am Genevieve Jeremiah

Wednesday, September 16

9:00 am Faye Wendel

Thursday, September 17

9:00 am Margaret Grace Thompson &
Sally Bott

Friday, September 18

9:00 am Millie Natale

Saturday, September 19

9:00 am Kathleen, Patrick & Ann Mulrooney

5:30 pm Edward Silliere

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

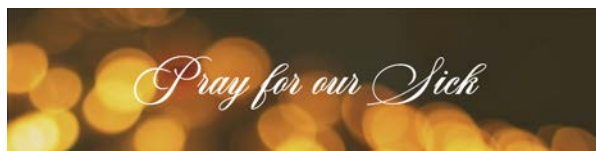
Sunday, September 20

7:30 am Sheila Brokenbaugh

9:30 am Eileen Gosling

11:30 am Policarpio & Werner

If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one who has passed away, please call our parish office at 973-379-3912.



Let us pray for those who most need our prayers:

Julia Cino

Arthur Daly

Ted Fujita

Hilda Gutierrez

Cori Haase

Christian J. Isola

Anna Lucia

Michael Novotny

Alfredo Parrelli

Peggy Paton

Francisco Pimienta

Daniel Sanchez

Jennifer Scancarella

Stan Schuck

Anastasia Stott

Dana Willoughby

Leroy Wilson

Mary Yauch

fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. - Isaiah 41:10

To add a name of someone who needs prayers, please email Sue at snevins@stroseshorthills.org.



Sallyann Coppola

Hedwig Faenza

Mary Oates Geran

Catherine Heffernan

Elizabeth Hummer

Czeslaw Konietki

William Kunzinger

Dorian Maguire

Mary Pamela McCullough

Louis Monaco

Eleanor Montgomery

Joanne Rajoppi

Susan Roberts Richey

Mary V. Tobie

'I assure you that today you will be with me in paradise.'

- Luke 23:43



MESSAGE FROM HIS HOLINESS LEO XIV FOR THE SIXTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I will never forget you - Is 49:15

Dear brothers and sisters,

Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord promises that he will never forget any of us. He assures us that he has engraved our faces on the palms of his hands (cf. Is 49:16) and that his love is greater than a mother's love for her child (cf. /s 49:15). The prophet gives us a glimpse of an intimate and intense dialogue in which God addresses, in familiar terms, each person individually and the people as a whole. Even today, we can read these words as referring to each of us, and everyone can hear that "I will never forget you" spoken directly to them.

These are words that fill us with comfort and hope. They are the answer to an agonizing feeling that troubles the heart: "The Lord has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me" (Is 49:14). How often in Sacred Scripture, especially in the Psalms, does prayer spring from the despair of those who feel that their lives are of no interest to anyone and are being neglected! The painful feeling of being forgotten is, unfortunately, shared by many people, and among them are quite a few elderly people.

God's love, which forgets no one, offers itself as an act of justice and a response to the anonymity in which human life all too often ends up lost. The lives of many elderly people, in particular, seem to be covered by a veil that blurs the features of their faces and shrouds them in oblivion. This is what happens in homes where loneliness reigns and also in those care facilities where each person's uniqueness risks being reduced to a bed number or an illness.

The celebration of the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to rediscover that the Church is called to be a mother to all and that at any age it is always possible to recognize ourselves as sons and daughters of God. May this day, therefore, be an inspiration for everyone, especially the young, to revive the beautiful custom of visiting their grandparents, the elderly members of the family and even those who have no one to visit them. Bring them, through this message and your presence, the closeness and affection of the Pope. Ensure that the words of the prophet, "But I will never forget you," take the form of a tender and affectionate encounter. "In an era that favors speed and fragmentation, the human person still yearns to receive care and recognition from attentive minds, kind words and hands capable of tenderness. The digital culture multiplies connections and offers new opportunities for interaction; yet, the human heart retains an irrevocable need for genuine closeness" (Encyclical Letter, *Magnifico Humanitas*, 239).

The Church understands the suffering of her elderly members; she knows full well that they are all too often viewed through the lens of stereotypes and considered a burden; she is aware that a profit-driven economy weakens family ties; she knows that many elderly people are left behind by children who are forced to migrate or, in some cases, to fight in wars. For each of these reasons, she joyfully proclaims the Lord's promise: "But I will never forget you!"

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It is a joy, at any age, but especially when we are no longer young, to discover, as John Paul I said, that we are the recipients "of undying love on the part of God. We know: he has always his eyes open on us, even when it seems to be dark. He is our father; even more he is our mother" (Angelus, 10 September 1978). Even if it does not come naturally to think this way, the truth is that even in old age we do not cease to be sons and daughters; therefore, the invitation to return to the arms of God - whose love is both paternal and maternal - remains worthwhile at any age.

For many, the discovery of God's tenderness takes place over the course of their lives, sometimes even in its final stages. Indeed, unlike in the past, it is increasingly common to reach old age without having had a genuine experience of faith. In such cases, old age -beginning with the questions that arise with greater urgency during this season of life - can become the right time to begin or resume a spiritual life. On this new journey, one can recognize that God, as Saint Augustine says, "is a mother because he cherishes, because he nourishes, because he nurses, because he protects" (Commentary on Psalm 27, 11, 18). It is an awareness that helps us not to feel ashamed of the fragility that emerges and also to understand that we are always in need of one another and in need of attention and care. To God, who draws near to us and whom we learn to recognize in his tenderness, we can now turn with filial trust in prayer. It is never too late to begin turning to him. It can be a great gift for everyone.

Dear elderly men and women, Pope Francis spoke of you as a "new people" (Catechesis, 23 February 2022), since the number of older adults has never been so large in human history. It is, therefore, more important than ever to reflect with you, this "new people," on what our vocation might be when fragility - the human person's companion from birth - seems to take over. I would like to say to you: do not be afraid of fragility! It is precisely this weakness that holds within itself a new potential that also illuminates the other stages of life. Indeed, when "we acknowledge our fragility, our hearts become open to supporting one another and to invoking the One who can grant what no human power can ensure: the profound reconciliation of hearts and, with it, true peace" (Meeting with the Algerian community, Basilica of Our Lady of Africa, Algiers, 13 April 2026).

This is how we can live out our old age as Christians: "fragile" yet at the same time "called." A man and a woman can, in fact, be born anew in old age (cf. Jn 3:4-6) and exclaim, with the prophet: "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength" (Is 30:15). This strength can become an invitation not to resort to the ways of arrogance and power to ensure human coexistence, but to the ways of reconciliation and true peace. In this time, so harshly marked by the violence of war and social unrest, many wonder what the world in which their grandchildren will grow up will be like. I urge you, dear friends, to join me in praying earnestly that peace may soon come to the whole world.

Dear elderly brothers and sisters, I thank you for supporting me every day with your prayers, especially when you recite the Holy Rosary. I return this gratitude from the bottom of my heart and leave you with this prayer: may the Lord always renew us in faith, hope and love - He who never forgets us!

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The HOLY SEE

Sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

"I will never forget you." -Isaiah 49:15

Introduction

Each year, the Church celebrates World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Established by Pope Francis in January 2021. This year, the celebration was moved to coincide with National Grandparents Day in the United States, celebrated on the first Sunday after Labor Day. The theme this year was chosen by Pope Leo: "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2).

This gentle yet powerful verse from Sirach reminds us that those who continue to place their trust in the Lord, especially in their later years, are a true blessing among us. The day invites us to recognize grandparents and the elderly as living signs of hope within our families and parishes.

What Pope Francis Wants Us To Remember

Pope Francis reminds us in his Catechesis on Old Age, that "old age is a gift for all stages of life. It is a gift of maturity, of wisdom." "Everything beautiful that a society has is related to the roots of the elderly... I would like the figure of the elderly to be highlighted, so that it be well understood that the elderly are not throwaway material: they are a blessing for society."

Reflection

Today the whole Church turns to Grandparents and the Elderly and says what God has been saying through this entire novena: we have not forgotten you. Your prayers have shaped this family, this parish, this Church — even when no one was watching. Today is your day. Receive it with joy.

Prayer

Holy Father,
Who watches over every person
Watch over me too when I am elderly.
You have revealed your name to me in Christ,
And You were not discouraged by my frailties.
You hold me tenderly in your hands, and You caress my lines.
You will never forget me! (*Is 49:15*).
Grant that I may not fear my weakness;
Help me learn to love it, just as You love it.
Help me learn to listen to it. Just as You listen to it.
Help me embrace it just as You have chosen it –
You who, though all-powerful, clothed yourself in humility.
May growing old strip away all our pride and all division
So that we may live these years united in You.
You will never forget us! (*Is 49:15*).
Amen.

Simple Ways To Celebrate

- **Call or visit** an elderly loved one or someone who may not receive many visitors
- **Share a meal or story** with Grandparents. Let them pass on a favorite memory or piece of wisdom.
- **Pray together** for the elderly who are alone, sick, or grieving.
- **Light a candle** in gratitude for living Grandparents & Elderly or in memory of those who have passed. Pray together: "Lord, bless those who taught us to hope in You."
- **Plant a garden** or tree in memory of our beloved Grandparents & Elderly.
- **Send or give** a Grandparent or Elderly person a "Spiritual Bouquet." A Spiritual Bouquet can be a card, homemade or store-bought letting a person know what prayers or sacrifices have been offered up for them. Examples to be included in a Spiritual Bouquet:
 - A certain number of a specific prayer – 10 Hail Mary's
 - A Novena, Mass, or Rosary
 - A Prayer card, find one on our website.
 - Good deeds or sacrifices, for example: shop for a person in need, fast for a meal, or skip the dessert.

Grandparents & Family

Gather if you can. Share a meal. Tell each Grandchild: "You are one of the greatest gifts of my life. I love you. I pray for you. I will never forget you." Give them something small to keep — a card, a photo, a letter.



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2026



Welcome to St. Rose of Lima Children's Liturgy of the Word

We're happy you're here!

CLOW A Gift To The Church - Faith Formation Rooted In The Word of God
As Proclaimed On Sunday. Sessions begin Sunday, September 13, 9:30 AM Mass.

Become the most popular family at church (for one Sunday)!

We need CLOW parent volunteers to host the post 9:30 AM Mass Hospitality Cart.

The commitment? Just one Sunday per family. **The Best Part:** There is absolutely no heavy lifting or baking required. We do all the prep work, stock the cart, and roll it into the gathering space. Your only job is to stand next to the food, smile, and mingle with other families. It's the easiest volunteer gig you'll ever get! Scan to register!



Meet our CLOW Leaders



Sr. Sandy DeMasi Amalia Butler Dana Richmond Catherine Petrozziello Mary Beth Petrozziello
Duddy

Meet our Session Leaders



Littlest Saints **Bread for Angels** **At the Table Of The Lord** **Theophilus Club**
Maggie McGinn Amalia Butler Louann Carangelo Dana Richmond
First Sacraments Duddy

Meet our Cantors & Musicians



Stephanie Eller Maria Fernandez Sheryl Smith Mariana Terrezza

Meet our Aids



Emma Jackson Sue Nevins Roe Sabatella Gina Gilligan
CLOW AID Liturgy Office Admin. Registration Parish Secretary

Parish Life at St. Rose

September 12 - November 2, 2026

September

12 Stewardship Day

This annual event brings family & friends of all ages together for a day of volunteering to make an impact in our community. Projects listed in the Stewardship Guide available in church or our website.

**Confirmation Candidates Volunteer*

13 6th World Day for Grandparents & Elderly

Bring your grandparents or elderly friends for a special blessing at all Masses.

Children's Liturgy of the Word
CLOW returns to 9:30 AM Mass. During Mass young children will sing, hear scripture a homily and work on age-appropriate activities.

14 Life Lighters Meeting

Senior fellowship Ministry
11:00 AM Ryan Hall

Everyone is welcome..bring a friend!

15 Ladies Auxiliary Beginners Mahjong Class

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

18 Ladies Auxiliary Volunteer at St. John's Kitchen

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

19 Womens's Prayer Group

Weekly on Fridays at 10:00 AM
Zoom

Registration

Events listed may require advance registration. Please see flyers in our bulletin or website for details Thank you.



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20 Catechetical Sunday Mass 9:30 AM with CLOW

Fall Bereavement Group Meeting

1:00 PM Dougherty Center

Bible Study: The Book of Mark with Michael Pilarski

1:15 PM Devine Conference Rm

Our Lady of Good Health Mass 3:00 PM

A special Mass celebrating
Mother Vailankanni.
Reception follows in Ryan Hall

22 St. Rose Movie Night 7:30 PM

Devine Center Conference Room

20 Fall Bereavement Group Meeting

1:00 PM Dougherty Center

22 Men's Prayer Group

Weekly on Wednesdays at 7:00 AM
Ryan Hall

27 Children's Liturgy of the Word

9:30 AM Mass

Faith Formation: Pneuma Student/Parent Info Session

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM

Fall Bereavement Group Meeting

1:00 PM Dougherty Center

October

3 Faith Formation Pneuma Service Saturday 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

4 St. Francis of Assisi Day Celebration

9:30 AM Mass with CLOW

Join us along with Bishop Bismark Chau for our annual celebration honoring St. Francis of Assisi on the 800th Anniversary of his death. Our celebration includes a special **Care for Creation Day** with an art show in the Gathering Space and hospitality.

Faith Formation 9:30 Mass

Groups: Bread for Angels, Theophilus Families in Synod, Gateway, Pneuma

Blessing of the Animals 1:00 PM

Socialized pets on leash or in a carrier welcomed. For those who have lost a pet, you are welcome to bring a photo of your pet. Children without pets can bring a stuffed toy animal

Fall Bereavement

1:00 PM group sessions for those who have lost a loved one

11 Faith Formation Mass 9:30

Groups: At The Table of the Lord, Logos, Gateway

18 Faith Formation Mass 9:30

Groups: Our Littlest Saints and Families in Synod

November

1 All Saints Day Sunday Mass Schedule

Celebrating the Saints of our faith.

**Confirmation Candidates Volunteer*

2 All Souls' Day The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed 7:30 PM Mass

Mass followed by a light dinner

St. Rose of Lima Parish

Life Lighters

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING

Monday, Sept 14th - 11:00 AM, Ryan Hall

What is Life Lighters?

The Life Lighters are a parish group dedicated to the senior men and women of our church. We meet on the second Monday of each month. Meetings consist of entertaining and informative presentations, including; safety in our homes, phone scams, health emergency awareness, arm chair yoga, art & history.

No pre-registration is necessary!

**Everyone is welcome &
You're welcome to bring a friend!**

We look forward to seeing you!



Ladies Auxiliary of St. Rose

Mahjong for Beginners!

The Ladies Auxiliary is hosting another
beginners Mahjong class

**Tuesday, Sept 15
10 am - 12 pm | \$40**



Register in advance with QR code or visit:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044DABAA28ABFDCF8-65083543-mahjong#/>



Baptism Sign Up Meeting on Zoom



If you are new parents, pregnant or hope to be pregnant soon and plan to have your baby baptized at St. Rose of Lima, we invite you to join us for one of our sign-up meetings with Sr. Sandy DeMasi.



Meetings are held once a month at **8:00pm on Zoom**. Sr. Sandy will meet with groups of parents and will provide information on the Sacrament of Baptism and answer questions.

September 17

October 15

November 19

December 17



Select the date best for you from the list above. On the date selected, scan code to connect to Zoom shortly before the 8PM start time. On Zoom, select **Join Meeting**, enter **Meeting ID: 851 866 0427** and **Pass code: strose**. Or, enter the following URL into your browser: <https://tinyurl.com/SRLBaptismSignup>. Enter the **Meeting ID** and **Pass code** as shown above to join.

Together We Can Make a Difference

**Volunteers Needed at
St. John's Soup Kitchen**

Monthly Spots Available

**Meal Prep / Serving Meals
Cleanup Crew / Inventory**



Scan for details
and Registration

*Adults only please

Ladies Auxiliary of St. Rose Join us in supporting our community!





St Rose of Lima Parish

Bereavement Ministry Invites You
to our **Fall 2026 Support Group Meetings**

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|-----------|----|-------------------------------------|
| September | 20 | Where am I in the grieving process? |
| September | 27 | Can I be alone and not lonely? |
| October | 4 | How do I handle anger? |
| October | 11 | Guilt and Regret |
| October | 18 | Am I moving on and healing? |
| November | 22 | Coping with the Holidays |

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Dougherty Center - 61 Short Hills Ave

Register in advance, contact Rosemarie at
(973) 379-3912 | rsabatella@stroseshorthills.org

St. Rose of Lima Movie Night

Date/Time: Tues, September 22, 7:30 pm

Location: Devine Center Conference Room

Movie: **Heaven Knows Mr. Allison**

Please watch the movie ahead of time and join the discussion or
just join us for some good conversation.

Questions? Please email: Sherri at Sheryl.Smith@xerox.com





Our Lady of Good Health Velankanni Matha

You are invited to join us in prayer and celebration in honor of Mother Vailankanni, Our Lady of Good Health.

As a church family, let us gather to offer our gratitude and seek her divine blessings.

**Sunday,
20th September
2026**

03:00 pm to 04:00 pm

Mass celebrated by:

Fr. Justin Akkara, CMI

*Parochial Vicar, St. Francis Cathedral,
Diocese of Metuchen*

Ministers to the parish's South Asian Apostolate, and previously served as Provincial of the CMI Bhopal Province in India.



Dinner will be served at Ryan Hall

All are welcome.

RSVP:

Clara D'Silva - (973) 727 0147

Aaron Saldana - (201) 774 2675

Annie Abraham - (551) 697 7626

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Mother Mary's apparitions as Velankanni Matha



Velankanni Matha, or "Our Lady of Good Health," is a Catholic title for the Blessed Virgin Mary. In India, she is venerated for apparitions and miracles attributed to her, which led to her shrine being called the "Lourdes of the East." She is revered by millions of people across faiths.

Miracle #1

In the 16th century, a Hindu boy was delivering milk when Our Lady appeared with her infant son. She requested milk for her child. After he generously gave some, the boy went to his customer's place where he found the pot was miraculously overflowing, a testament to her divine grace.



Miracle #2

Years later, Our Lady appeared to a lame boy, who was selling buttermilk sitting under a banyan tree. She asked for some, and upon giving it, Mother Mary healed him. She instructed him to tell others to build a chapel in her honor.

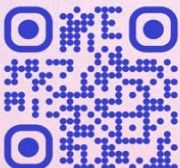


Miracle #3

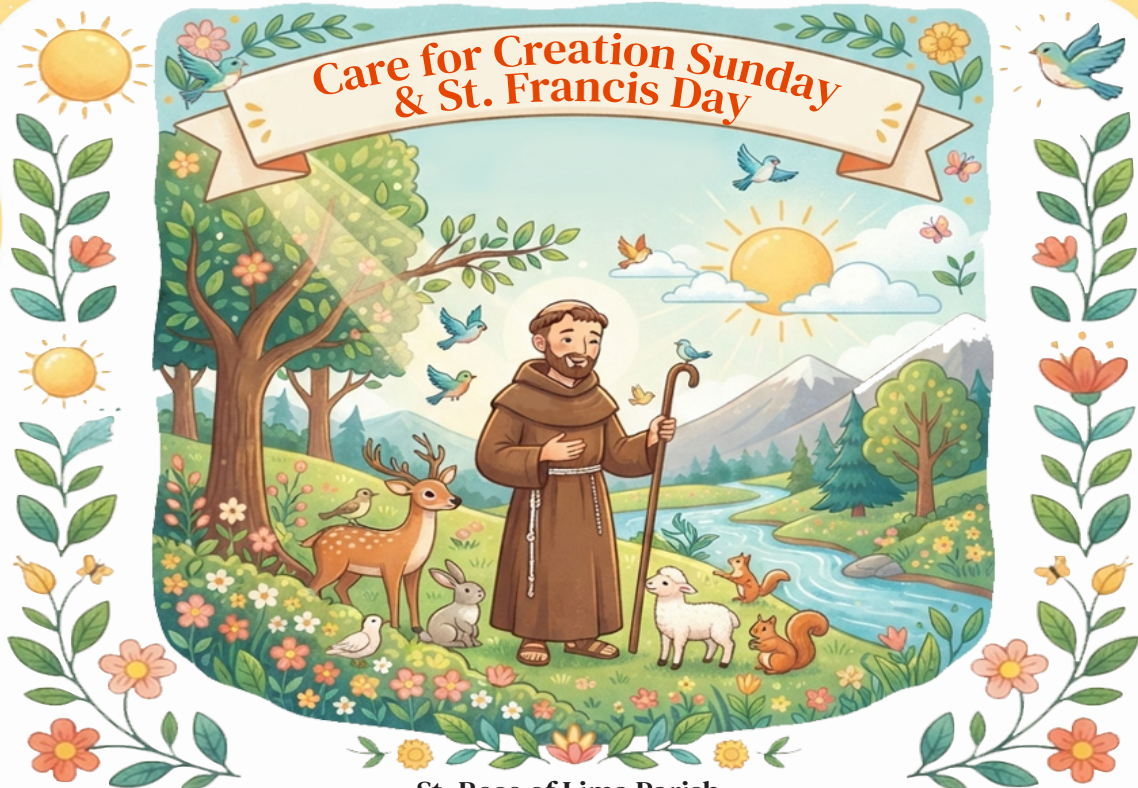
A Portuguese ship, caught in a violent storm, sought refuge by praying to Our Lady. The storm subsided, and they safely landed near Vailankanni. In gratitude to our Mother, they built the first permanent chapel, which eventually became the basilica.



Read More:



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50 Short Hills Ave, Short Hills, NJ 07078



St. Rose of Lima Parish

Sunday, October 4, 9:30 AM Mass

with Celebrant Bishop Bismark Chau

'It's not yet too late' to care for creation. Pope Leo XIV opened the Season of Creation by urging Christians to recognize their responsibility for protecting the environment, linking care for creation with peace, poverty and equitable access to water.

The theme chosen for the 2026 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation echoes the biblical call to "beat swords into plowshares" and connects armed conflict with environmental destruction.

Event Schedule:

9:30 AM Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word

Join us for Mass Commemorating the 800th Anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi's passing. Following Mass get a selfie with our own St. Francis (aka Ted Barkhorn) & enjoy activities for kids.

10:30 AM Art Show in memory of Kathleen D. Donnelly

Give her an easel, paints and brushes and she would create a vision of immeasurable joy.

1:00 PM Blessing of the Animals

Well socialized pets welcome on a leash or in a carrier. Children without a family pet are welcome to bring a favorite stuffed animal for blessing. If your animal companion has passed, bring a photograph or carry them in your heart.



REGIS



Regis High School Information Session

As an all-scholarship, all-boys, Catholic Jesuit school, Regis HS offers a transformative and rigorous curriculum that prepares outstanding young men to lead lives of leadership, generosity and service.

Each Info Session will last around 90 minutes and will feature a presentation by the Director of Admissions and a panel discussion with current students. Meet local NJ Regis families and students, and learn more about the gift of a tuition-free and challenging Jesuit education!

Located in Manhattan and consistently ranked as the Best Catholic High School in America, Regis draws a diverse student body from across NY, NJ and CT, including many from local and neighboring towns.

New Jersey Info Sessions

Thursday, September 17th at 7 PM

Our Lady at Mount Carmel Church
1 Passaic Street, Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Monday, September 21st at 7 PM

Sts. Peter and Paul Parish
404 Hudson St, Hoboken, NJ 07030

For more information (including Open Houses) and to register, please visit: <https://regis.org/admissions/events>

Parking Spaces for Rent

✓ Long-term ✓ Short Hills

St. Rose of Lima has parking spaces for rent in our private parking lot. Contracts are by school semester or semiannually for commuters.

- ▶ Commuter spaces - \$600.00 per 6 months
- ▶ Student spaces - \$450.00 per semester (Sept- Jan, Feb-Jun)
- ▶ Vehicles are assigned a designated numbered space

For more information, call or email

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Sun Sept 13	Sixth World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly Special blessings for grandparents, family, and friends at all Masses 7:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:30 AM Mass (with Baptism)
Mon Sept 14	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)</i> 9:00 AM Mass with Academy Students 11:00 AM Life Lighters Meeting, Ryan Hall
Tues Sept 15	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)</i> 9:00 AM Mass 10:00 AM Ladies Auxiliary Hosts Beginners Mahjong, Ryan Hall
Wed Sept 16	<i>Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (Memorial)</i> 7:00 AM Men's Group Meeting, Ryan Hall 9:00 AM Mass
Thu Sept 17	<i>Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> 9:00 AM Mass
Fri Sept 18	9:00 AM Mass 9:00 AM Ladies Auxiliary - Volunteer at St. Johns
Sat Sept 19	<i>Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr</i> 9:00 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass
Sun Sept 20	Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time Catechetical Sunday 7:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:30 AM Mass 1:00 PM Fall Bereavement Group Session, Dougherty 1:15 PM Bible Study - The Book of Mark, Devine Cnt 3:00 PM Mass - Our Lady of Good Health followed by a reception in Ryan Hall

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