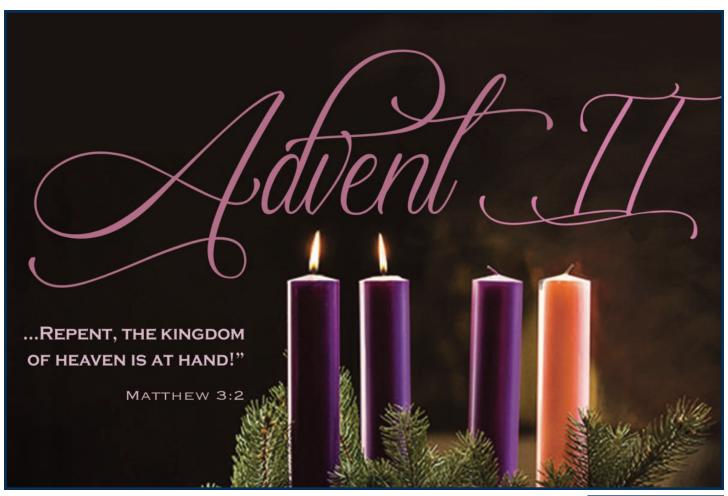


# St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, NJ 07078

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 4, 2022



#### MASS SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:** Worship Aid (with readings/music) available weekly on our website. Mass readings and Gospel available in this bulletin. Masses celebrated in the church unless otherwise noted. Masks are recommended.

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Saturday	5:30 pm Anticipated		
Sunday	7:30 am		
	9:30 am		
	11:30 am		
Mon - Friday	6:45 am		
	9:00 am		
Saturday	9:00 am		
	Saturday Sunday Mon - Friday		

TELEVISED MASS: Sunday 7:00 am and 9:00 am. HTTV Comcast 36, Verizon 33 or youtube.com/user/stroseshorthills.

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#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

50 Short Hills Avenue Short Hills, NJ 07078

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!

#### **Pastoral Staff**

Reverend Larry Evans, II, Pastor	frlarry@stroseshorthills.org	973-379-3912
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Saturday 5:30 pm (Anticipated)

Sunday 7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

#### Daily Mass Schedule:

Mon - Fri 6:45 am

9:00 am

Saturday 9:00 am

<u>Televised Mass Schedule:</u> Sunday Mass airs at 7:00 am and 9:00 am on on HTTV channels Comcast 36, Verizon 33 or on-demand at httvonline.org/live/(only at times listed above). Watch anytime on YouTube at youtube.com/user/stroseshorthills.

Reconciliation: Individual confessions Saturdays following 9:00 am Mass and 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm.

Baptism: Call Sr. Sandy DeMasi at 973-379-3912.

Confirmation: Call the office at 973-379-3912.

RCIA: Call Sr. Sandy DeMasi at 973-379-3912.

Matrimony: Arrangements must be made with one of the parish priests at least one year in advance. Call the Parish Office at 973-379-3912.

Sacrament of the Sick or Eucharist for Homebound: Call the Parish Office at 973-379-3912.

<u>Parish Office Hours:</u> Parish offices will be closed Thursday, Dec 8 in observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM.

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (office closed from 12:30PM - 1:30PM)

Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Visit the St. Rose of Lima Parish website at www.stroseshorthills.org for the latest news, events and bulletins.

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### December 4, 2022

Isaiah 11:1-10 / Romans 15:4-9 / Matthew 3:1-12

Mass airs each Sunday at 7:00AM and 9:00AM on Comcast 36, Verizon 33. Available on-demand at https://httvonline.org/live/.
Mass will also be available each Sunday on our website or anytime at www.youtube.com/user/stroseshorthills. The Sunday Mass Worship aid with readings, gospel and music is available on our website at stroseshorthills.org.

#### **READING I**

Isaiah 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him:

a spirit of wisdom and of understanding,

a spirit of counsel and of strength,

a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD,

and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD.

Not by appearance shall he judge,

nor by hearsay shall he decide,

but he shall judge the poor with justice,

and decide aright for the land's afflicted.

He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked.

Justice shall be the band around his waist,

and faithfulness a belt upon his hips.

Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb,

and the leopard shall lie down with the kid;

the calf and the young lion shall browse together,

with a little child to guide them.

The cow and the bear shall be neighbors,

together their young shall rest;

the lion shall eat hay like the ox.

The baby shall play by the cobra's den,

and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair.

There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD,

as water covers the sea.

On that day, the root of Jesse,

set up as a signal for the nations,

the Gentiles shall seek out,

for his dwelling shall be glorious.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

#### R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, with your judgment endow the king,

and with your justice, the king's son;

he shall govern your people with justice

and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Justice shall flower in his days,

and profound peace, till the moon be no more.

May he rule from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,

and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.

He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;

the lives of the poor he shall save.

#### R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

May his name be blessed forever;

as long as the sun his name shall remain.

In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed;

all the nations shall proclaim his happiness.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

#### READING II Romans 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters:

Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus,

that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God.

For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness,

to confirm the promises to the patriarchs,

but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy.

As it is written:

Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

ALLELUIA Luke 3:4, 6

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A voice of one crying out in the desert,

Prepare the way of the Lord,

make straight his paths.
John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist.
His food was locusts and wild honey.
At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees

coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven,

(All bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. (End bow)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually in my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Sunday, December 4, 2022

7:30 am Vera Chernecki

9:30 am Michele Vespa

11:30 am Michele Circelli

#### Monday, December 5

6:45 am For Our Parishioners

9:00 am Rev. John Haughey, SJ

#### Tuesday, December 6

6:45 am For Our Parishioners

9:00 am Deceased members of Zelaska Family

#### Wednesday, December 7

6:45 am For our Parishioners

9:00 am Rose Marie Bufo

5:30 pm Clark & McCabe Families

#### Thursday, December 8 - IMMACULATE

#### CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

6:45 am For our Parishioners

9:00 am Simon Chu

12:00 pm Armando & Anita Ricci

#### Friday, December 9

6:45 am For our Parishioners

9:00 am Maria Bracca

#### Saturday, December 10

9:00 am Giuseppe Bianco

5:30 pm Michelle Circelli

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Sunday, December 11, 2022

7:30 am Maria Franzoni

9:30 am Stan Lemond, Sr.

11:30 am Francis Alexander, Jr.

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



#### Let us pray for those who most need our prayers:

Denes Ackroyd Steve Allen Logan Alseika Elizabeth Arjune Sue Bailey Carl Barry Jonathan Benjamin Ariel Biviano Amanda M. Brando Sophie Chhowalla Gretta Eliza Clausen John Connolly Alex Cullen Francesca D'Andrea Michael DeVincenzo Gloria DiBella	Scott Eveland Ted Fujita Roseamarie Giuliano Doreen Hastings Jonathan Hetherington Christian Joseph Isola Donovan Jimenez John Kennedy Jr. Patt Kent Soondol Francisca Kim Kathleen Kunish Debbie Kovach Charles F. Labus Christina LaRosa Roseanne Logan G. Louis	Kathleen Mulrooney Dennis Nitka Joan O'Brien Erin Wade Pado Alfredo Parrelli Jacob Rivera Jaxson Rivera Mary Ross Anastasia Stott Josephine Valente Dina Vila John Ward Kathleen Wheaton Jane White Dana Willoughby Madge Wilson
Michael DeVincenzo	O	Dana Willoughby
Gloria DiBella	Ann McDermott	Madge Wilson
Ronald DeBlis	Mary McDonnell	Leroy Wilson
Athena DiLeva	Patricia N. Miller	Nancy Zabita
Sally Drennen	John Mudd	Walter Zelinski

"Peace I leave you; my peace I give you I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

- John 14:27 -

#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA NOV-DEC CALENDAR

Dec 3/4	Troop 17 SRL Christmas Wreath Sale, all Masses. Delivery available to
	towns listed on flyer, see bulletin or web website for details.
Dec 4	Last day to drop off Giving Tree Drive gifts, please bring your gifts to
	the Devine Center. See flyer in bulletin or website for details.
Dec 7-9	SRLA Christmas Boutique
Dec 7	Life Lightters Christmas Luncheon, 12:00 pm, Social hour 11:15am,
	Baltusrol Golf Club. See flyer in bulletin or website for details.
Dec 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Dec 9	Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Luncheon, 11:00 am, Canoe Brook. See
	flyer in bulletin or website for details.
Dec 10	Lighting of the Parish Christmas Tree following 5:30pm Mass, light
	refreshments hosted by the SRL Academy HSA.
Dec 11	PorchFest - Rock'n around the Christmas Tree, time to be announced
Dec 15	Don't Eat Alone Nights, 5:30pm, please RSVP with Mary Jean. See
	flyer in bulletin or website for details.
Dec 18	Blessing of the Creché/Bambinelli Sunday, bring a figurine from your
	Nativity for blessing. All Masses.
Dec 19	7:00 pm Taizé Prayer Service with Individual Right of Penance

Dec 20

**SRLA Christmas Concert** 

# Second Sunday of Advent



As we celebrate this second Sunday of the new liturgical year, we note that this is a A year in the three-year cycle of Sunday readings. In A year, we concentrate on the Gospel of Mathew.

In his Gospel the elements proper to him include much of the account of the Virgin Birth of Christ (Luke 1–2), some of the most moving parables such as those of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son, with the words of Christ in the Passion to the women of Jerusalem and to the Good Thief. All these elements underline the compassion of Christ, which together with Luke's emphasis on poverty, prayer, and purity of heart make up much of his specific appeal to the Gentiles, for whom he wrote this Gospel of the Saviour of the world. Women figure more prominently in Luke's gospel than in any other, for example, Mary, Elizabeth, the widow of Nain, and the woman who was a sinner.

#### **ADVENT 2 - TABLE PRAYER**

Light two candles of the Advent Wreath.

Blessed are you, Lord, in this food and in this sharing.
Bless theses your gifts with which we are about to nourish our bodies, so that, receiving new strength, we may wait in watchfulness for the glorious coming of Christ.

We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Mark Your Calendar

Solemnity of the Immaculate (Holyday of Obligation) Thursday, December 8 5:30 pm Mass (Anticipated) 6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass



12:00 PM Mass

#### Lighting of the Parish Christmas Tree Saturday, December 10

5:30pm Mass Light refreshments immediately following hosted by the SRL Academy HSA

#### Blessing of the Creché/ Bambinelli Sunday December 18

Bring a figurine from your Nativity for blessing
5:30 pm Mass (Anticipated)
7:30 AM Mass
9:30 AM Mass
11:30 AM Mass

#### Blessing of A Christmas tree

Prayer as We Prepare our Homes for the Christmas Feasts

God of all creation,
we praise you for this tree
which brings beauty and memories
and the promise of life to our home.
May your blessing be upon all
who gather around this tree,
all who keep the Christmas festival by its lights.
We wait for the coming of Christ,
the days of everlasting justice and of peace.
You are our God, living and reigning, for ever. Amen.

The lights of the tree are then illuminated.

#### REFLECTION— DO WE PRAY FOR THE COMING OF THE KINGDOM AS JESUS TAUGHT US?

How appropriate it is that today's hopeful liturgy tells us that John the Baptizer is the messenger who exemplifies what real holiday preparation is all about. True Christmas preparation requires that we search our souls to determine what areas of our lives need the healing and saving message of the Christ who comes. What are the areas of my life that need the illuminating light of Christ? What are the areas in our world that need the peace and justice of Christ? Today's liturgy proclaims John the Baptist as the last messenger to prepare the way of the Lord. In our day, in our world, in our nation, in our families, we are God's messengers!



St. Rose of Lima Parish • Short Hills, NJ

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#### FIRST SUDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, November 27

5:30 PM Mass (Anticipated) Vigil,

Blessing of the Parish Advent wreath

**7:30 AM Mass** 

9:30 AM Mass

11:30 AM INSTALLATION MASS

FOR OUR NEW PASTOR, REV. LARRY EVANS, II BY CARDINAL JOSEPH TOBIN

Mass followed by a light reception in Ryan Hall

ADVENT MORNING OF REFLECTION

Friday, December 2, following 9:00 AM Mass

#### LIFE LIGTHERS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, December 7, 11:15 AM Baltusrol Country Club

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(Holyday of Obligation)

Thursday, December 8

5:30 PM Mass (Anticipated)

**6:45 AM Mass** 

9:00 AM Mass

12:00 PM Mass

#### LADIES AUXILIARY OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA **CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

Please bring an unwrapped toy for the Jay Hartmann Toy Collection Friday, December 9, Canoe Brook Country Club, 11:00 AM

#### LIGHTING OF THE PARISH **CHRISTMAS TREE**

Saturday, December 10, 5:30 PM Mass Light refreshments immediately following, hosted by the St. Rose of Lima Academy HSA

#### FAMILY PROMISE OF ESSEX COUNTY **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Tuesday, December 13, 2:00 PM Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair Hosted by St. Rose of Lima Parish for homeless and "at risk" families in need.

#### BLESSING OF THE CRECHE/BAMBINELLI SUNDAY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 18

Bring a figurine from your Nativity for blessing

5:30 PM Mass (Anticipated)

**7:30 AM Mass** 

9:30 AM Mass

11:30 AM Mass

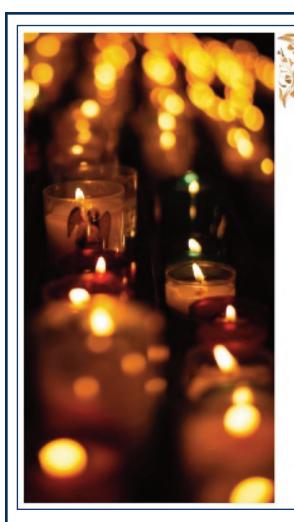
#### TAIZÉ PRAYER & PENANCE SERVICE

Monday, December 19, 7:00 PM

#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA ACADEMY **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Tuesday, December 20, 7:00 PM

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## Please Pray For our Recently Deceased



Simon Chu

Ernest Robert Faenza, Jr.

Edith Falcone

Mary Pennachio

May the Lord welcome them to the heavenly banquet table.

We pray to the Lord.



Thursday, December 8th

Solemnity of the

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(Holyday of obligation)

Mass Schedule 5:30 pm (Anticipated) 6:45 am, 9:00 am, 12:00 pm



#### St. Rose of Lima's Annual



# Giving Tree Drive

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his deed." - Proverbs 19:17

# Annual Giving Tree Announcement December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

Only a few more days to become a child's Secret Santa! Being a child's Secret Santa is easy. Just pick a printed gift tag from the Giving Trees in the vestibule of the Church.

Remember that each gift is the only one that the child will receive. It is essential to return the gift you have chosen to the Devine Center by Sunday, December 4 th in order to give sufficient time for sorting and delivery. All presents must be wrapped (no bows please) and have the tag securely taped to the gift.

If you can't pick up a tag, you can still support this drive with a monetary contribution. Just click on the button marked "Giving Tree" shown on our website www.stroseshorthills.org. and follow the directions. All funds will be used to purchase needed gifts for the children.

Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity.





#### Christmas Wreath Sale



## Troop 17 St. Rose of Lima, **Short Hills**

**Proceeds support** St. Rose of Lima Troop 17 activities. Thank you!













Pre-order at www.troop17shorthills.com. Wreaths will also be available at masses the weekend of Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> until supplies run out.

#### **Evergreen Wreaths**

\$48 Large (26 inches)

\$32 Small (20 inches, fits standard size door)

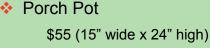
\$15 Mini (perfect for windows, add a bow for an additional \$5)

#### Holiday Centerpieces

\$35 Sleigh Centerpiece

\$20 Elf Boot Centerpiece (5"x9")

\$40 Grave Blanket/Giant Centerpiece (12"X20")





## Life-Lighters' Christmas Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022
BALTUSROL GOLF CLUB

LUNCHEON 12:00pm ~ SOCIAL HOUR 11:15am

There will be a cash bar - soft drinks will be free.

The cost will be \$50.00 per person.

Please make checks payable to Life-Lighters & send checks by Nov. 25th to:

Ms. Nancy Beirne, 83 Denham Rd, Springfield, NJ 07081-1139

Besides the Life-Lighters, we welcome all men and women who are interested in attending.

The Entertainment will be the Cranford High School Madrigal Choir Director - Anthony Rafaniello

Lunch choices include: Atlantic Salmon, Chicken Scaloppini Française or Petite Filet Mignon and you may have 8 or 10 at a table.

There will also be valet or lot parking at Baltusrol.

If you should have any questions regarding the luncheon please contact Francesca Fabrigio (908) 400-0781

Please visit www.stroseshorthills.org for response forms.

Thank you! Speical thanks to Mrs. M. Patricia McGinely and Enzzo's Trattoria for their kind support of the Don't Eat Alone Nights gatherings.

St. Rose of Lima Invites You To Join Us for

#### "Don't Eat Alone Nights"

Our Parish is excited to bring back Don't Eat Alone Nights! A gathering for those who would enjoy dining in the company of fellow parishioners. We hope you'll join us.

Dinner gatherings are held in the convent from 5:30pm to 8:00pm.

Limit of 10 guests per date. Reservations open for the following dates:

2022

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♦ Dec 15 ♦ Jan 12

◆ Apr 13

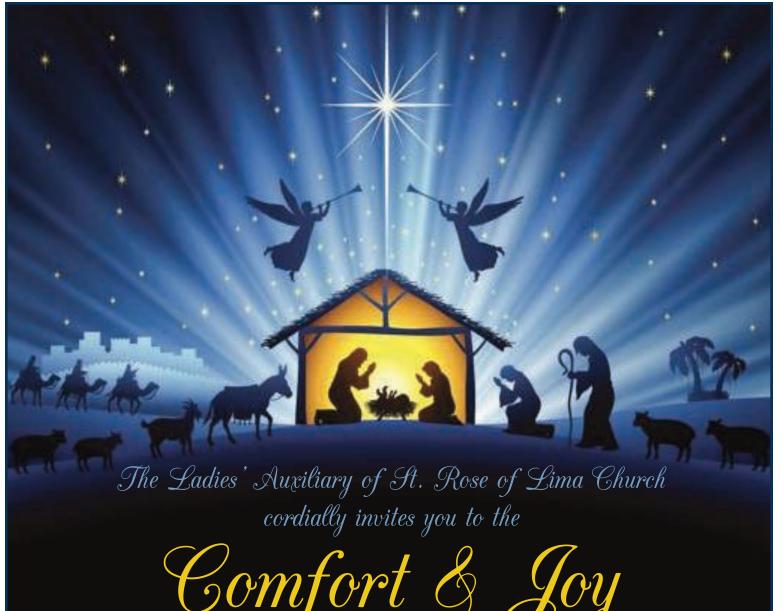
◆ Feb 16

◆ May 11

◆ Mar 16

Please call Mary Jean at 973-379-3912 to reserve your seat.

We look forward to seeing you!



# Comfort & Joy

Christmas Luncheon

Friday

December 9, 2022

11:00 AM ~ 2:00 PM

Canoe Brook Country Club 1108 Morris Turnpike Summit, NJ.

In the spirit of giving, please bring an unwrapped toy to brighten a child's Christmas for the Jay Hartmann Toy Collection

Response forms are availabe at www.stroseshorthills.org, or click the invitation above to be transfered.

# **SRL Faith Formation**



## Calendar

Sunday Dec 4, 2022

#### Grade Location / Time / Lesson

K-Grade 3 9:30 AM, Ryan Hall. Attend CLOW first half of Mass. Children will be brought up to church to reunite with parents for remainder of Mass.

Grade 1 9:30 AM, Ryan Hall attend CLOW. After CLOW students walk to Sacristy (in Church) for lesson until 11:00 AM. Parents

Grade 4/5 9:30 AM, Mass. After Mass students and at least one parent take elevator to Ryan Hall for lesson until 11AM Family Catechesis, students & parents attend.

#### Grade 7 & 8

9:30 AM, Mass. After Mass students meet in gathering space. In the event of inclement weather students will remain in church until 11AM. Small Group discussions.

#### Grade 9 / Confirmation candidates

Volunteer/Assist any grade sessons above or choose a ministry or service project. Service/ volunteer projects are emailed each month. Please use the Sign-Up Genius link in the email to register.



# Mark Your Calendar!

# Lighting of the Parish Christmas Tree

Saturday, December 10 following the 5:30pm Mass

Light refreshments hosted by the St. Rose of Lima Academy HSA

#### Bambinelli Sunday/Blessing of the Creché

Fourth Sunday of Advent ALL Masses, Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

"The Nativity Scene is like a living Gospel.
Contemplating the Christmas story is like setting out on a spiritual journey, drawn by the humility of the God who became man in order to encounter every man and woman." "So great is His love for us", quoted the Pontiff, "that He became one of us, so that we in turn might become one with Him."

- Pope Francis 2019



Join St. Rose of Lima as we celebrate a beautiful Italian tradition of blessing the baby Jesus to prepare for Christmas!

Please bring a figurine from your Nativity for blessing.



#### Stewardship Reflection for the Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022

In today's Gospel reading John the Baptist warns his listeners: "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!" The Church's yearly Advent herald is a call to repentance. The season of Advent urges us to be open to a conversion of heart. Christian stewards heed this call daily, and take the need for conversion in their lives seriously. As a family of faith, do we hear this call to conversion amidst the massive holiday spending? The increase in credit card debt? The urge to buy things that are not necessary? The incivility on the roadways during the holidays? Are there patterns in our own lives that need to be converted?

#### ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH OFFICES

WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

in observance of The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception



#### Catholic Charities

Please help Catholic Charities in its mission to help individuals and families who are hurting. This is a most opportune time to clean out the summer clothes for the Catholic Charities Donation Bin(s). We also welcome small appliances, shoes,

linens, sheets, towels, tools, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, toys, and children's books. Thank you.





If you're pregnant and don't feel like you have much of a choice, call these people.

They don't want your money,they just want to help.

Birthright: 800-550-4900

Care Net: 800-395-HELP care-net.org

Catholic Charities: 800-CARE-002

catholiccharitiesusa.org

## May Advent Awaken Us To God's Presence In Our Daily Lives

"We must be awake, alert, vigilant. Jesus warns us: there is the danger of not realizing His coming and being unprepared for His visit. I have recalled on other occasions what Saint Augustine said: 'I fear the Lord who passes by'... that is, I fear that He will pass by and I will not recognize Him!"

- Pope Francis, November 27, 2022 Vatican News

Do you know anyone who is homebound and unable to get to Mass?

Recovering from a hospitalization or illness?



Our Justin Ministers are specifically trained to visit those who cannot be with us to share the Sunday Gospel, hear about the homily, pray with someone on behalf of our community an receive Communion.

If you, or a family member or neighbor, would like a visit, either temporarily or indefinitely, please contact the parish office at 973-379-3912.

Call the parish office if you would like to volunteer for this ministry.

#### St. Rose Food Collection

Food donations are in great need at all food pantries in our area. Your donations help many who find themselves struggling to provide this basic need for them and their families.

Canned and dry food items may be dropped off anytime to our parish Blue Van located in the parking area. Thank you for your help!



#### Are You In The Loop?

Each Week we send an email which contains important announcements, links to Mass, worship aids, bulletin and the latest news from our the parish.

If you would like to be added to this list, please email rsabatella@stroseshorthills.org



# St. Rose of Lima New Parishioner Registration www.stroseshorthills.org



Thank you to our parishioners who've made a gift to our Annual Appeal. If you haven't already donated, please consider making a gift to help our parish. Thank you for your help.

## Annual Appeal

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#### Parish Calendar December 4 - December 11, 2022

All Masses are held inside the church. Masks are recommended.				
Sunday, Dec 4	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Troop 17 Christmas Wreath Sale, all Masses Giving Tree gift donations due today, drop off to Devine Center 7:00 AM Mass Televised HTTV Comcast 36 & Verizon 33 7:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass Televised HTTV Comcast 36 & Verizon 33 9:30 AM Mass 11:30 AM Mass			
Monday, Dec 5	6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass			
Tuesday, Dec 6	6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass			
Wednesday, Dec 7	Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church SRLA Christmas Boutique 6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass 11:15 AM Life Lighters Christmas Luncheon, Baltusrol 5:30 PM Mass (Anticipated)			
Thursday, Dec 8	SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION) Parish offices Closed 6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass			
Friday, Dec 9	Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin 6:45 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass 11:00 AM LAUX Christmas Luncheon, Canoebrook			
Saturday, Dec 10	Our Lady of Loreto Retirement Collection for Religious 9:00 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass (Anticipated), Lighting of the Parish Christmas Tree with light refreshments hosted by SRL Academy HSA.			
Sunday, Dec 11	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Retirement Collection for Religious Porchfest - Rockin Around the Christmas Tree 7:00 AM Mass Televised HTTV Comcast 36 & Verizon 33 7:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass Televised HTTV Comcast 36 & Verizon 33 9:30 AM Mass 11:30AM Mass			

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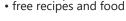
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