

St. Rose of Lima Parish

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JULY 26TH, 2026

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 4:30pm

Sunday | 7:30am, 10:30am & 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
9:00am

COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday | 9:00 am

CONFESSION

Tuesday | 7:00pm - 7:30pm

Saturday | 3:30pm - 4:15pm

HOLY DAYS

AS ANNOUNCED IN THE BULLETIN

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

Reverend James E. Goerner

PASTOR EMERITUS

Reverend Gerald D. Canavan

RETIRED PARISH DEACON

Deacon Fred Ryan

WEEKEND CLERGY ASSISTANCE

Provided by local parishes

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS ED

Marianne Jefferis

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JoAn Palesano

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Donna Evans

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the First Sunday of each month at 1:00pm. Please call the parish office to register. Letters of Eligibility for Catholic Godparents are due prior to scheduling a Baptism.

SACRAMENTS OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION VISITS

Father Goerner is happy to visit anyone who wishes to receive the anointing of the sick or Holy Communion. For more information, please call the parish office.

PARISH PAROCHIAL SCHOOL POLICY

Parishioners with Elementary School aged children who are enrolled in St. James Regional Catholic School (or another local Catholic School) may be eligible to receive a parish subsidy to help defray the cost of tuition. Weekly Parish Support is required. For more information, please call the parish office.

PREP / RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children who attend public school are requested to register in our PREP Program beginning in first grade through seventh. There is a minimal tuition requested to defray costs of the materials. If tuition assistance is needed, please ask to speak with Father privately.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance of the intended wedding date. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation program is required in accord with Archdiocesan Policy.

LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY

If you need a Letter of Eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered member of the Parish & be Baptized, Received 1st Communion and Confirmation. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

CONTACT US!

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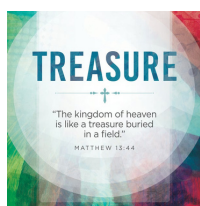
Around the time that the gold rushes ended in the nineteenth-century West, a curious phenomenon arose in New England known as money diggers. These were men who roamed the countryside with shovels, divining rods, and superstitious hope, convinced that treasure lay buried beneath their feet. Surely there must be gold under our feet. But there was not. The craze of these wild goose chases caused many to lose farms, families, and sanity.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus inaugurates a new era of spiritual money digging. He announces, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." He invites us to become treasure seekers who search in the right place. What is of greatest value is not money beneath our feet, but the infinite treasure hidden deep in the humanity of Jesus himself, God's own blessed life. The glory of heaven lies veiled in his ordinary life, his teaching, his suffering, his Church.

This teaching about the Kingdom changes things. Now we see the Church's doctrinal and moral teachings are not arbitrary rules. They are a treasure map. Follow them, and we will uncover divine happiness. Ignore them, and we will wander aimlessly, spade in hand, digging in empty fields, discouraged.

Where have we wasted energy seeking treasure in the wrong places? How have we given up on seeking the treasure of truly finding God's love for us? If so, let us repent of both. Then let us dust off our shovels and get back to digging deep into the field of Christ Jesus and his Church. After all, He never ceases seeking his treasure in us.

— Father John Muir



LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the Week

Christ compares the kingdom of Heaven to buried treasure - the find of a lifetime, one you would risk everything to keep. Are we doing all we can to hold onto this treasure that we have been lucky enough to discover? What is Heaven worth to us?



VIRTUES

Hospitality

The virtue of hospitality is characterized by kindness and welcome, particularly to those who are strangers. It is the practice of true Christian love — love purely for the sake of the one "who loved us first" (1 John 4:19)



DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED!

Daily Examen

The daily examen is a spiritual practice derived from the writings of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. A Basque nobleman, Ignatius underwent a series of religious conversions as a young man following a wound sustained in the Battle of Pamplona in 1521. His Spiritual Exercises were first published in 1548 and form the basis of what is known today as "Ignatian spirituality."

Many different versions of the examen have been developed over the centuries, but all are centered on the same five elements which themselves reflect Ignatius' process of self-review and spiritual discernment.

In completing the daily examen, an individual places himself in the presence of God, prayerfully reflecting on the blessings of the day, the actions he took, and the invitation God has for his future decisions.

For more information on the examen and to find different variations of it, visit ignatianspirituality.com.



PRAYER

Blessing for Our Parish

Dear God,
Pour Your blessing upon our parish, in need of Your renewal and inspiration.
Prune the places that need pruning, and pour fresh grace and courage into our midst. Help us to find You and, with great joy, follow You wholeheartedly.

~Amen

Observances for the Week

WEDNESDAY: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

THURSDAY: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

FRIDAY: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

SATURDAY: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

PRAY FOR THE SICK

As a Catholic Parish Community, we pray for our relatives and friends who are sick, and those who have asked for our prayers, especially the following:

Mark B., Katie B., Kathleen Kienzle Carre, George Cimasky, Michael Daly, Barbara DeFilippo, Tommy DeVito, Shirley Duffy, Donna Evans, Helen Ford, John Furey, Dee Gibson, Sue Hamilton, Mary Harrower, Franny Heidle, Harry Hepbron, Amanda Horton, Doris Innamorato, Claire Jackson, Anthony Johnson, Barbara Johnson, Agnes Kelly, Dennis Kelly, Pat Kennealy, Debbie Kirschner, Peggy Knee, Mary Ann Lenick, Sasha Longman-Fitzpatrick, Ann Martella, Richard Martella, Jan Matteo, Sue McCullough, Patrick McErlean, Denise McGuire, Michael McNulty, Jessica Memeth, Dorothy Millison, John Mohr, Jr, Marianne Mohr, Frances Murray, Andy Oreo, Tom Pilson, Joyce Pinto, Krew Rein, Connie Restino, Robert Rodgers, Colleen Sachs, Denise Salvatore, Rick Sand, Amie Schopf, Kimberly Schumacher, Joachim Stinson, Helen Marie Sweeney, Richard Sweeney, Gary Tashjian, Nicholas Tate, Diana Vitello, Kellie Walsh, Art Weems, Nancy Wiltshire, Debbie Woolley and all the sick of our parish.



Choosing Heaven

By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

My children often ask me questions about Heaven. What does Heaven look like? Is there nighttime in Heaven? Do you get hungry in Heaven? Are there oceans in Heaven? Will we feel bored in Heaven?

My answer is almost always the same: "I can't tell you for sure." I guess I didn't realize how little we actually know about Heaven until I had kids who were obsessed with hearing the details.

But accepting human ignorance is liberating in a way, because it allows me to see clearly — and cling wholeheartedly to — the three things I do know for sure: Heaven is where God is, and Hell is where He isn't, and it's completely my decision where I want to be.

The choice, you see, is everything.

We need to pay attention to how Jesus describes the kingdom of Heaven in his parables. It is, he tells us, a treasure — but a treasure buried in a field owned by someone else. It is a beautiful pearl — and a very expensive pearl. It is a bountiful yield — one which must be carefully, even painstakingly sifted through.

It's so easy to imagine the delight of the man who finds the treasure, who encounters the pearl, who hauls the bursting net aboard, just as it is easy to call ourselves followers of Christ, to hang a Rosary from our windshield and go to Mass.

It's less easy, and a great deal more uncomfortable, to contemplate what comes next: the sacrifice, the commitment, the perseverance through uncertainty.

Heaven is an incredible stroke of luck — one that requires a good deal of follow-through. We can never earn it, but we must choose it. Again and again and again, we must choose it.



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Registration Now OPEN!

Check the website for details.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Will be returning this Fall. Please contact
Marianne Jefferis stroseprep@gmail.com
if you are interested in volunteering.**

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FEAST DAY**

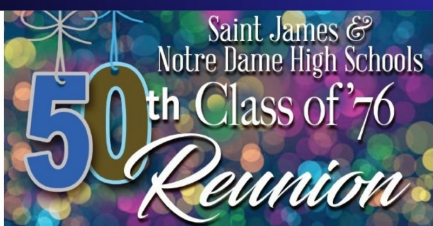
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Bulletin Submissions

All bulletin submissions should be emailed to srlbusmanager@outlook.com on Fridays the week prior to publishing.

All submissions are subject to approval by the Pastor and will be included should space allow.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 25, 2026

4:30pm † John Sullivan

Sunday, July 26, 2026

7:30am † Edward Gieder, Jr. & Edward Gieder, Sr.

10:30am † Robin Revello Rizzo

12:00pm † Anthony Buddy Monaco

Monday, July 27, 2026

9:00am † Pro Populo

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

9:00am † Alice Kalom

Wednesday, July 29, 2026

9:00am † **Communion Service**

Thursday, July 30, 2026

9:00am † Tony Mullen

Friday, July 31, 2026

9:00am † Benjamin Quatrano



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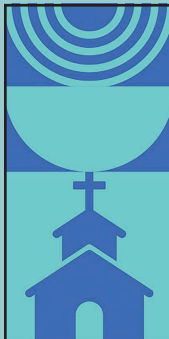
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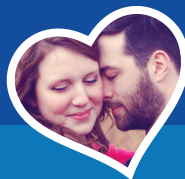


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