



St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church

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Sacraments

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday and Thursday 6:00 pm
Wednesday and Friday 8:15 am
First Saturday 8:15 am

Confession Times

Saturday 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
Thursday 6:30 pm --7:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays 6:30 pm—7:30 pm
First Fridays 9:00am-6:00 pm

St. Rose of Lima Catholic School

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January 25, 2026 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor's Desk

As we approach the outermost end of the Christmas season on February 2 (Feast of the Presentation of the Lord) I would like to offer my most heartfelt thanks to all the parishioners who so generously gave me Christmas gifts! That is unnecessary but greatly appreciated. It is my strict policy, instilled by my late mother, to write thank you notes for every gift I receive before using them. Hopefully you received one of these from me. But I know it is also possible I may have forgotten to write one or two in the mix. For that reason I want to make sure you know of my gratitude. If you didn't get a handwritten thank you note from me, please know that is an oversight and accept my sincere apologies. My mom would require nothing less. Whether it was gifts of bourbon, cash, gift cards, or something more unique I truly appreciate your generosity, not because of the material gifts themselves but because of the love that motivated their giving. I do not take that support for granted and I thank you for helping to make this Christmas an especially happy one for me. May God reward you for your kindness to His unworthy priest!

Changing gears a bit I'd love to offer some information that I hope will be helpful. I offer it because recently I have received several questions from parishioners that, sadly, I was unable to answer right there on the spot. As much as I would like to know everything and be able to answer any question this is simply not possible for my limited human nature. So, the advice I give is this: If you have questions about the finances of the parish, offering envelopes, tax return letters, Mass stipends, etc. those should be directed to Kelli or Karen. I do not personally keep the books of the parish as I am most unqualified to do so. I don't even file my own income taxes! When I have a question about parish finances I myself ask Kelli or Karen because they know infinitely more about it than I do. So, I encourage you to do the same thing as me and direct business questions to the business manager and her assistant.

Similarly, if you have a question or concern about the school, I appreciate that and would like you to be able to receive a satisfactory answer as soon as possible. However, I do not personally run the school nor set its policies as that work is entrusted to our principal Mr. Travis Heckber who is more qualified than I in the field of education. When I have a question about the school, I direct it to Travis because he knows more about it than I do. So, I encourage you to do the same thing as me. All questions and concerns are welcome when they are voiced respectfully (and they usually are). I just feel bad when people come to me with questions I cannot answer and can see the disappointment on their faces when I direct them to the person who can actually help. Please know that we are transparent, there are no secrets, and we want you to be able to receive the information you are requesting as soon as possible. But please help me to help you by first going to the people whose job it is to oversee the specific areas you have a question about. Our parish is blessed to have trustworthy, helpful, and competent employees like Kelli, Karen, and Travis and they are happy to be utilized. Needless to say, while they handle the practical realities of parish life I remain available to answer questions that are of a theological, philosophical, moral, liturgical, or pastoral nature. That's what my training is in, and I am happy to give answers to the types of questions I have been prepared to answer. I hope that makes sense and is received in the same spirit with which it is offered. I'm not trying to push folks away. It's simply an admission that I don't know all the details but fortunately there are people who do and they would love to help you out just like they help me.

Father Dennis Di Benedetto

In And Around Our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 15th from 8:30 am—Noon in the parish hall. Menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, French toast, gravy/biscuits, fruit, cinnamon rolls, coffee, milk and orange juice. Cost is \$10 for adults/\$5 for children ages 6-12, Free ages 5 and under. Please join and support the Knights.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

The Christ Child Society of FW reminds you to please remember to return your baby bottle filled with spare change to St. Rose Church (back of church) either the weekend of February 7 & 8 or February 14 & 15. The organization is grateful for your generosity and support. For more information, visit: christchildsfw.org.

SYNOD CONSULTATION MEETING

Parishioners are invited to participate in the Diocese of FW/SB Synod Consultation for our parish. Discussion will be upon evangelization, catechesis, spiritual and liturgical life, vocations and outreach. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18th at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. Please contact the parish office to RSVP at (260) 623-3970.

HALLOW SUBSCRIPTION

If you are interested in a complimentary one-year subscription to Hallow, please email Karen at strosemonroeville@outlook.com Limit is 30. First come, first served basis.

IN APPRECIATION

Thank you to Duane & Rosie Doctor who have dedicated many years as our volunteer gardeners/landscapers to make our church grounds so beautiful. We are looking for volunteers to consider taking on this ministry. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

Events and Happenings

Parish Calendar

February 15	K of C Breakfast after Masses
February 18	Ash Wednesday
February 22	Coffee & Donuts after 8am Mass
March 18	Synod Consultation Meeting

St. Rose School HASA Announcements:

January 25-31	National Catholic Schools Week
March 14	Dinner, Dance & Auction

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, January 27:

6:00 pm +Mark Girkash/RG
Family of the Day • Doris Gerardot

Wednesday, January 28: (SRS Chapel)

8:15 am +Dale Anderson/Afam
Family of the Day • Joe & Jeni Gerardot

Thursday, January 29:

6:00 pm +Betty O'Shaughnessey/ARS
 6:30 pm Adoration & Confessions (Until 7:30pm)
 7:35 pm Rosary Walk

Family of the Day • Scott & Jill Gerardot

Friday, January 30:

8:15 am Hudson Swygart/MS(SRS Chapel)
Family of the Day • Phyllis Gilbert

Saturday, January 31:

5:00 pm John & Carole Johnson/JT
Family of the Day • Mike & Patti Hahn

Sunday, February 1:

8:00 am +Terri Berry/GLJ
 10:00am Pro Populo
Family of the Day • Jessica Hankins

ST. ROSE COMMUNITY HALL RENTAL INCREASE

As of January 2026, there will be a rental increase for the parish hall. Registered parishioners: \$150. Weddings \$250. Non-parishioners: - \$200. Weddings \$250. Damage Deposit remains \$100 (which will be returned based on the inspection after event). An additional \$95 Event Coverage is made payable to the Diocese of FW/SB. Please contact Cathy DeKoninck for reservations. (260) 438-4726

An Accounting of Our Stewardship

January 18, 2026

Weekly Budgeted Amount Adults Collections \$2,884.61
 Adult Collections • 43/193 \$5,680.00
 Students (53) \$8.01
 Loose \$266.34

Special Collections

School Support • 5/193 \$365.00
 Building Maintenance • 7/193 \$475.00
 Endowment Fund • 1/193 \$10.00

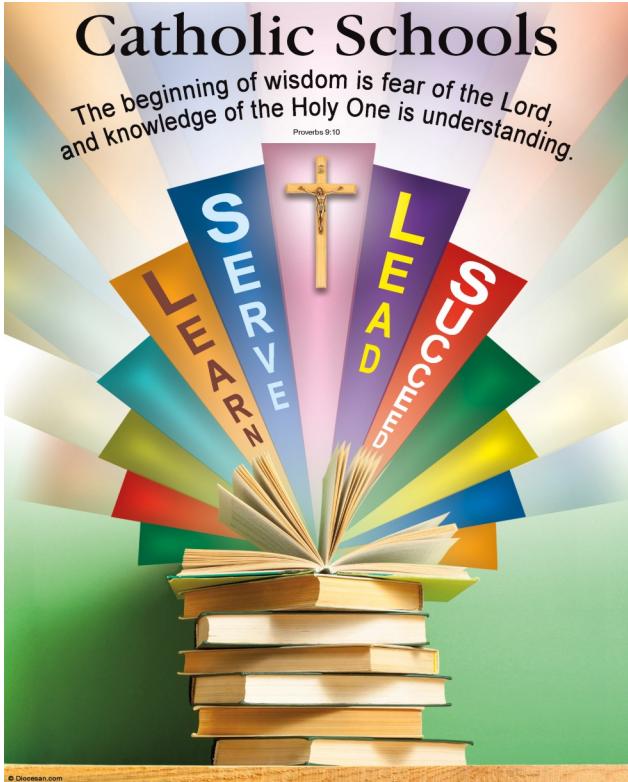
Other Collections

First Offering • 4/193 \$40.00
 Altar & Rosary Sodality • 8/193 \$50.00

Diocesan Collections:

Latin America • 4/193 \$140.00

GRAND TOTAL **\$7,034.35**



Liturgical Ministers

January 31/February 1

Ushers

Saturday, 5:00 pm Martin Family
 Sunday, 8:00 am Luddy Meyer & Tom Rennels
 Sunday, 10:00 am Neal Rothgeb & Jerome Kill

Lectors

Saturday, 5:00 pm Blane Ryan
 Sunday, 8:00 am Linda Johnson
 Sunday, 10:00 am Jim Cadoret

Servers

Saturday, 5:00 pm Bexley & Brady Parsons
 Sunday, 8:00 am Dakota Brames, Emmett Riley
 Sunday, 10:00 am Elaina Renninger, Blaise Albrecht

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, 5:00 pm Blane Ryan
 Sunday, 8:00 am Arizona Brames
 Sunday, 10:00 am Jaxon Feasby

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