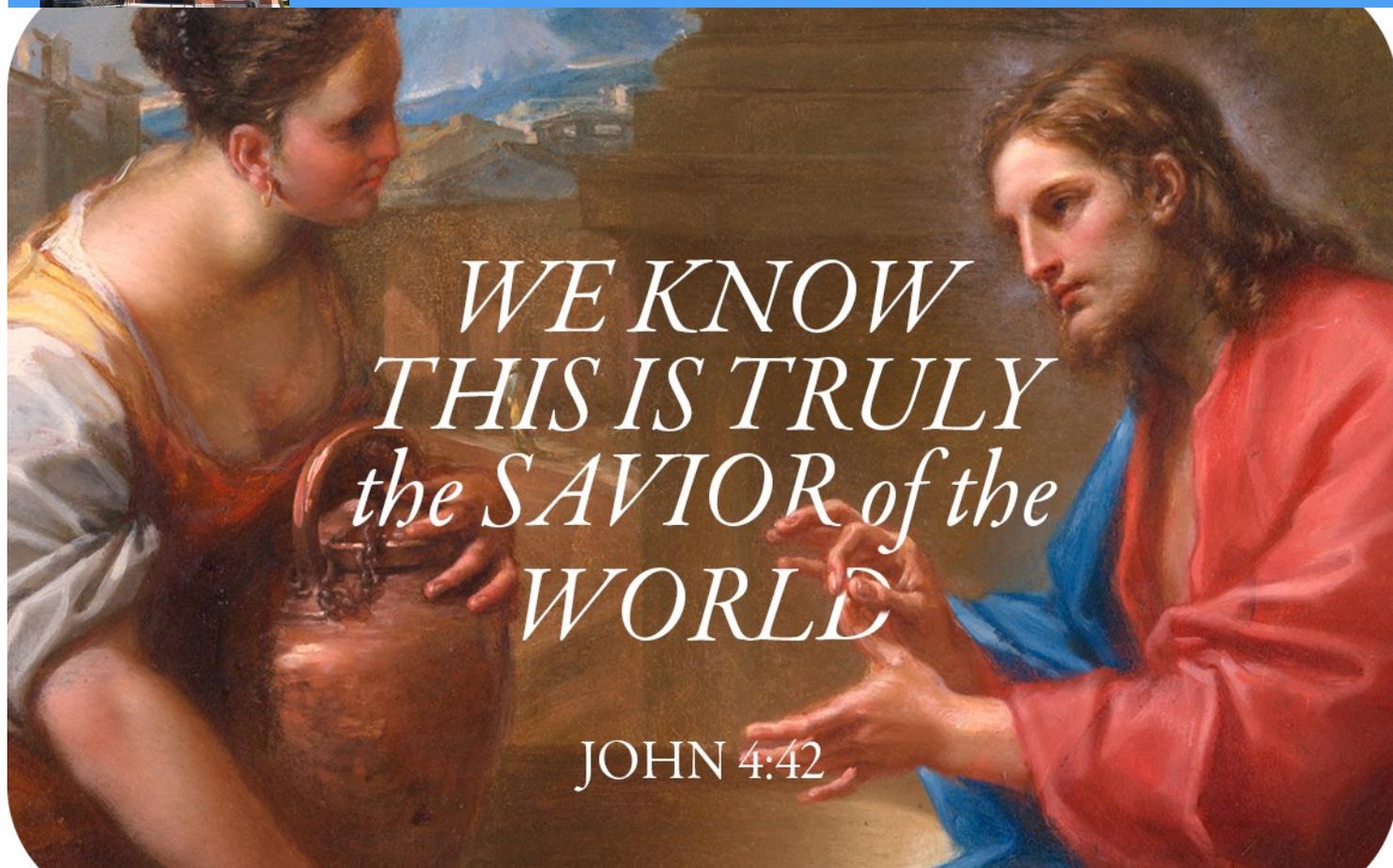




# St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church

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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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March 8, 2026 • 3rd Sunday of Lent

Our church is growing...and so is our Church! On February 27 St. Rose parish was blessed by the baptisms of its two newest members, Bristol Storm and Scarlett Marquardt, both in the second-grade class at our school. I am thankful to their teacher Mrs. Bradtmueller for helping prepare these young ladies for this sacrament. I believe St. Rose School is the most important ministry of our parish. It's certainly the largest. Without our school 100 children would not have the opportunity to receive an (almost free) Catholic education so close to home. And since half of our school's students are not Catholic or otherwise unchurched, we have a wonderful opportunity to share the Gospel with children who might otherwise never hear it. That is a responsibility to be embraced and a joy to be celebrated!

But it's not just children who are seeking Our Lord and His life-giving sacraments. Last year around this time Logan Grannis began attending our catechism class for adults. Logan is a young man in his 30s who comes to us from the Monroeville United Methodist Church. It has been a great joy for me and our parishioners to get to know Logan who is already very faithful to our Thursday evening walking Rosary that we pray each week for our town and its residents. Logan represents a much wider phenomenon of young men who are looking for traditional values and have discovered Catholicism online and through social media. When Logan met with me for the first time, I could tell that he was already very familiar with Catholic theology. I would ask that you please pray for him in these final weeks of preparation before he is received into the Church at the Easter Vigil through the sacraments of Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. And remember, as Catholics we should not be waiting passively for people to come to us! It is literally our job to go out into the world and invite family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, classmates, and maybe even strangers to consider joining the only church Jesus Himself established, namely the Catholic Church founded upon the rock of St. Peter our first Pope.

I began by saying St. Rose parish is growing, but so is the universal Church throughout the world. You may have seen that there are more than 700 adults in our diocese alone preparing to be baptized or received into the Church this Easter. In the Archdiocese of Detroit this number is 1,400! And this phenomenon is not limited to the United States. Both England and France and many other European countries are reporting record numbers of people (again, mostly young people and mostly young men) who are asking to be baptized. The Holy Spirit is clearly doing something new in the Catholic Church. It can be too easy for us to think only about ourselves and our own little parish. But we must never forget that we are part of a worldwide community. When members of the Church suffer anywhere in the world (as Iranian Catholics and other Middle Eastern Catholics are suffering right now) that should grieve us and cause us to pray for and financially support them. But when members of the Church anywhere in the world are celebrating then their joy should become our joy too. And that is the Christian life...a mixture of joy and suffering but all of it has its origin and its end in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Last but not least, you may remember a few months ago when the booklets for the diocesan synod process were distributed. Now the time has come to discuss the questions in those booklets for anyone who would like to participate. I am required by the Diocese to conduct some type of liturgical opening for the synod at our parish. This will occur at our regularly scheduled Thursday evening Mass on March 12. Then on March 18 at 6:30 P.M. the synod consultation will be held during which anyone who wants to can share their thoughts about how we can make our diocese better. I am grateful to Blane Ryan for volunteering to fill the required role of lay discussion leader and to Karen Castleman for filling the required role of notetaker. We priests have already participated in our own synod discussion so this evening will be an opportunity for the laity to share their insights and hopes for the future. On behalf of Bishop Rhoades, I thank you for your attention to this matter.

**Father Dennis Di Benedetto**

# In And Around Our Parish

## **ST. ROSE DINNER, DANCE & AUCTION LUAU SATURDAY, MARCH 14th at SRS GYM**

**Doors open at 5:00pm; Dinner at 6:00:pm**

If you've been meaning to grab your tickets, now is the time! For \$20 ticket, you'll enjoy:

- \* An adults-only tropical night out
  - \* Dinner
  - \* Incredible silent & live auction items
  - \* Music and island fun
  - \* A chance to make a real impact for our school
- You can also buy a table (8 seats) for \$150 and get a bucket of beer or wine at the event. Throw on a Hawaiian shirt. Come ready to sip, bid, and celebrate. Don't wait—get your tickets now! We can't wait to see you on the island. For tickets, Contact Melissa Harris at (260) 413-5205.

## **IN APPRECIATION FROM THE KNIGHTS**

Dear Church Family, The Knights wish to thank all of you who came out, helped with, or supported our parish breakfast. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! We served over 130 meals and raised just shy of \$1000, which was a huge success! We plan to continue these Parish breakfasts so keep an eye on the bulletins for the next one. Thank you to ALL and may God Bless You!

## **SPRING RUMMAGE SALE**

St. Rose Spring Rummage Sale is April 16 & 17. Set up is Tuesday, April 14 and Wednesday, April 15. All items will be moved from the garage on Monday, April 13 or Saturday, April 11 if the hall is available. Volunteers are needed to move and sort all donations. Please consider giving a block of your time for this fundraiser. As we spiritually "clean" for Easter, physically clean the attic, basement, closets and dressers for good, slightly used items. The garage is full, so please hold onto your donations until the set-up days.

## Events and Happenings

### **Parish Calendar**

<b>Fridays during Lent</b>	Stations of the Cross 6:00pm
<b>March 10</b>	The Light Is On For You
	Confessions 6:30-8:00pm
<b>March 13</b>	Student-Led Shadow Stations
<b>March 18</b>	Synod Consultation Meeting
<b>March 21-22</b>	Food Bank Collection
<b>March 23-25</b>	Lenten Mission Speaker 7pm
<b>March 31</b>	Chrism Mass at Cathedral 7pm
<b>April 16-17</b>	Spring Rummage Sale

### **St. Rose School HASA Announcements:**

<b>March 14</b>	Dinner, Dance & Auction Hawaiian Luau (SRS Gym)
<b>March 30-April 6</b>	Spring Break

# Mass Schedule

## Tuesday, March 10:

6:00 pm +Steve Swygart/MS  
*Family of the Day • John & Barbara Kilpatrick*

## Wednesday, March 11: ..... (SRS Chapel)

8:15 am Special Intention/LD  
*Family of the Day • Tim & Joyce Kimmel*

## Thursday, March 12:

6:00 pm +Dan Kirkendall/CK  
 6:30 pm Adoration & Confessions (Until 7:30pm)  
 7:35 pm Rosary Walk  
*Family of the Day • Tyler Kimmel*

## Friday, March 13:

8:15 am +Joe Beauchot/GJB ..... (SRS Chapel)  
 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
*Family of the Day • Carolyn Kirkendall*

## Saturday, March 14:

5:00 pm Gene Beauchot Family/RS  
*Family of the Day • Dave & Jane Koch*

## Sunday, March 15:

8:00 am +LaVon Ertel  
 10:00am Pro Populo  
*Family of the Day • Joe & Carol Kohnen*

## BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Bristol Lee Storm, daughter of Paul and Jennifer Storm and Scarlett Marquardt, daughter of Amanda Marquardt. Baptized on February 27th.

## FOOD BANK COLLECTION

On weekend of March 21 & 22, we will have our Food Bank Collection for St Mark's Church. Please bring items to parish hall in main lobby. We welcome hygiene products, cleaning supplies, and non-perishable foods.

## LANDSCAPER MAINTENANCE NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to consider taking care of church and school landscaping maintenance. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

## ST. HENRY MINISTRIES

Produce from Trader Joe's will be passed out every Thursday at 5:30 pm at St. Rose Church south parking lot.

## BABY BOTTLES CAMPAIGN

The Christ Child Society of FW would like to THANK YOU to all who helped us to meet our 2026 goal!. Your generosity allows us to continue to meet the needs of at-risk children and their families in the communities we serve. "Nothing is ever too much to do for a child." Mary Virginia Merrick, Founder National Christ Child Society.

## ST. JOHN FLATROCK RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, March 27th from 8:00am-5:00pm with a Bag Sale on Saturday, March 28th. Bag sale will be a \$3 for brown paper bag, \$6 for a 13-gallon bag and half-off priced items.

# An Accounting of Our Stewardship

## March 1, 2026

<b>Weekly Budgeted Amount Adults Collections</b> .....	\$2,884.61
Adult Collections • 47/193.....	\$2,560.00
Students (88).....	\$38.16
Loose.....	\$179.75

### Special Collections

School Support • 5/193 .....	\$435.00
Building Maintenance • 19/193 .....	\$1,425.00
St. Rose Endowment • 3/193 .....	\$110.00

### Other Collections

Votive Candles .....	\$75.55
Easter Flowers • 5/193.....	\$100.00
Cemetery • 2/193.....	\$40.00
Altar & Rosary Sodality • 2/193 .....	\$25.00
First Offering • 3/193 .....	\$15.00

### Diocesan Collections:

Black & Indian • 1/193 .....	\$10.00
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**GRAND TOTAL** ..... **\$5,013.46**

### FEBRUARY ONLINE GIVING

Adult Collections .....	\$1,855.00
School Support.....	\$200.00
Building Maintenance.....	\$50.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$2,105.00</b>

# Liturgical Ministers

## March 14th & 15th

### Ushers

Saturday, 5:00 pm..Larry Castleman & Joe Schmidt  
 Sunday, 8:00 am ..... Don Scott & Greg Smith  
 Sunday, 10:00 am ..... Tim & Joyce Kimmel

### Lectors

Saturday, 5:00 pm..... Jim Cadoret  
 Sunday, 8:00 am ..... Becky Hoffman  
 Sunday, 10:00 am ..... Zach Vandall

### Servers

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

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, 5:00 pm..... Oakly Spieth  
 Sunday, 8:00 am ..... Arizona Brames  
 Sunday, 10:00 am ..... Lucas Taylor