



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

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-5:50pm

St. Rose of Lima Catholic School

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August 24, 2025 • 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor's Desk

I'd like to thank the St. Rose Church family for praying for and financially supporting the school, which is by far our parish's largest and most active ministry of outreach/ evangelization. Even though the air-conditioner is not yet fixed our school year is off to a great start. When I was a child, we never went back to school until after Labor Day, so in my mind it is still summer break. Our diocese is very generous to provide its priests annually with four weeks of vacation and one week for retreat. I'd like to imagine I work hard enough to deserve these vacation days, but even if I don't, I still believe in using them all since they don't roll over into the next year if they are unused! That being the case this week I will be traveling to north central Pennsylvania to attend the Hammond family reunion (my late mother's people). We haven't had a family reunion in 15 years! Since the location of the reunion is quite near where one of my classmates is assigned, I will also spend a few days camping with my good buddy Fr. Josh Cavender of the Diocese of Harrisburg (Bishop Rhoades' home diocese). After that I will return to my alma mater Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Maryland. There I will visit our diocese's 5 transitional deacons who will (God-willing) be ordained priests for us on June 6, 2026. They are the last class of men our diocese has at Mount St. Mary's as all the younger seminarians now attend St. Meinrad in southern Indiana. This will be a bittersweet trip for me as it is likely the last time I will visit the campus where I spent 9 years of my life both as an undergraduate and a seminarian preparing to be the best priest I can for you.

More important than any of that, **on Tuesday, September 9th, our parish catechism class for adults will resume.** These classes will also serve as what had been called RCIA, the informational sessions for those who might be interested in joining the Catholic Church at Easter. **If you know anybody who has questions about what the Church teaches and would like to find out more please have them e-mail me at EasternRoman@gmail.com.**

Also, if you know somebody who does not already have a church to attend (or even if they do!) they are most welcome to come and find out more about Catholicism. There is never any pressure to convert. Last but not least, cradle Catholics are also welcome to this class and in recent years have even formed the majority. As you are well aware, the last time most Catholics received any kind of formal religious teaching was in the 8th grade before Confirmation. There is a lot more to learn about our Faith, especially now that we can comprehend things on an adult level.

So I encourage **ALL** St. Rose parishioners to make learning about God a priority and attend any of these classes you can. As in past years our textbook will be the Baltimore Catechism supplemented by the beautiful videos of the Catholicism Series produced by Bishop Robert Barron. Classes will meet every Tuesday (with some exceptions) in the parish hall immediately after the 6:00 P.M. Mass. As in past years we will likely have dinner provided at the beginning of class. Everything should be concluded by 8:00 or 8:30 at the latest.

Again, if you or anyone you know is interested in attending please e-mail me at EasternRoman@gmail.com so I know how many books to purchase and how much food to prepare.

Father Dennis Di Benedetto

In & Around Our Parish

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

St. Rose Parish Hall. Thursday, Sept. 4, 8am to 7:pm
Friday, Sept. 5, 8:am to 5:pm. Bag Sale all day on Friday: 30-gallon bag \$7; 8-gallon bag \$3.
Something for everyone! Clothes of all sizes, holiday décor, toys and much more. Great deals!

AVE MARIA PRAYER & CONCERT

Honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 7th from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 943 Powers St.
New Haven, IN. Join us! Free and open to all.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AUGUST 25th

Monroeville EMS, 103 Water St. 10am-3:30pm.
Register at redcrossblood.org or text Lois Ternet at 260-446-7240. Donors will receive a \$15 e-gift card.

39TH ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

In the coming weeks, registered households will receive a mailing from Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades inviting you to consider a donation to this year's ABA, which funds roughly half of our diocesan operating budget. To make a gift, donate online at diocesefwsb.org/aba or donate by returning the pledge card included in this year's mailing.

ST HENRY MINISTRIES

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

Events and Happenings

Parish Calendar

August 23 & 24	Food Bank Collection
August 24	Coffee & Donuts (after 8am Mass)
September 4 & 5	Fall Rummage Sale

School Calendar

August 28 & 29	No School Teacher In-Service
September 1	No School. Labor Day

Mass Schedule

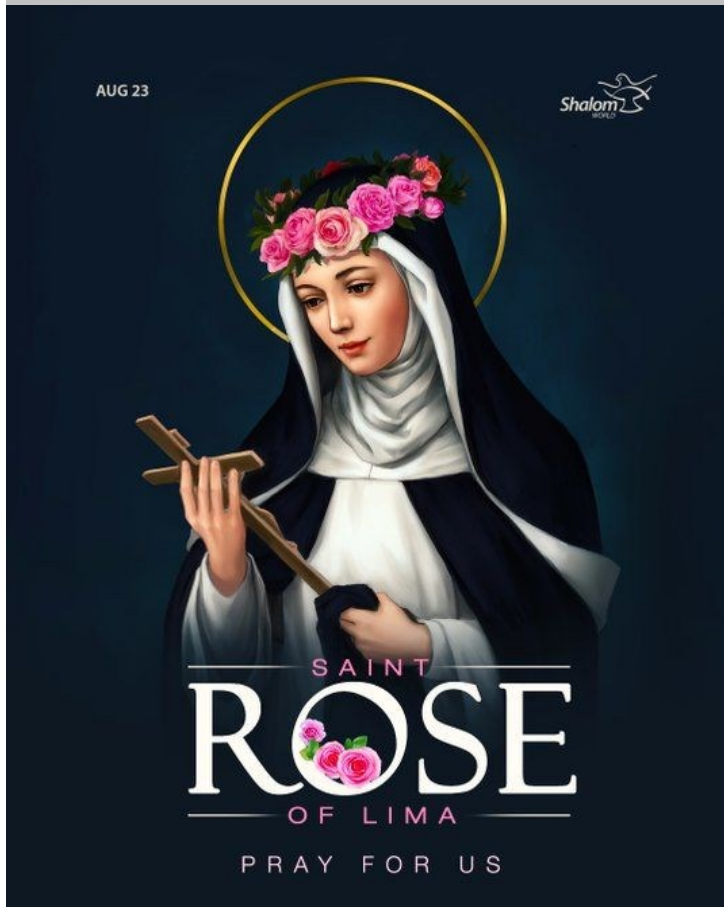
NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday, August 30:

5:00 pm +Diane Knueve/WCB
Family of the Day • Josh & Betsey Riley

Sunday, August 24:

8:00 am +John Effinger/MT
10:00am Pro Populo



An Accounting of Our Stewardship

August 17, 2025

Weekly Budgeted Amount Adults Collections	\$2,884.61
Actual Adult Collections • 38/193	\$1,452.00
Children.....	\$15.91
Loose.....	\$471.00

Special Collections

School Support • 6/193	\$390.00
Building Maintenance • 5/193	\$800.00
St. Rose Endowment Fund • 1/193.....	\$40.00

Other Collections

Votive Candles	\$73.00
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary • 12/193.....	\$335.00
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Loose	\$51.00

Around the Diocese

ECCE YOUNG ADULT CHOIR

The Ecce Young Adult Choir is auditioning singers for the fall choir season! We are an acapella choir of Catholic young adults from all across Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio, dedicated to evangelization through the beauty of sacred music. Interested singers must be practicing Catholics 18-33 years old and proficient in reading music. Please email Jessica Schuster, Director, before September 14th for more information and to schedule an audition: jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com.

CRAFT BAZAAR

Attention Craft Shoppers! St. Joseph Parish, FW, on corner of Brooklyn and Hale, is looking for individuals interested in shopping for handmade and homemade items at our Craft Bazaar this fall, on Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. For more info, please call Jan Reid (260) 436-5768 or Corinne Lampe (260) 704-8006

WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Join Fr. Dennis for the Fourth Annual Walking Pilgrimage on Sunday, September 14th to celebrate the 69th anniversary of the devotion to Our Lady of America! Please RSVP and more details at website, patronessofamerica.org.

Liturgical Ministers

August 30th & 31st

Ushers

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	Larry Dawson & Dan Scott
Sunday, 8:00 am	Luddy Meyer & Don Scott
Sunday, 10:00 am	Jack Castleman & Jerome Kill

Lectors

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	Rose Jacobs
Sunday, 8:00 am	Troy Robertson
Sunday, 10:00 am	Joe Kohnen

Servers

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	Maelyn Harris, Volunteer
Sunday, 8:00 am	Levi Gerardot, Nobe Jones, Lillie Minnick
Sunday, 10:00 am	Caleb Taylor, Madeline Witte

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	Blane Ryan
Sunday, 8:00 am	Yvonne Wills
Sunday, 10:00 am	Lucas Taylor