



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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September 13, 2026 • 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE PASTOR'S DESK

On reading or hearing this story of the merciless servant, each one of us would rightly judge him a mean, low type of man, a heartless man, who puts himself outside the pale of mercy. He throttled his fellow-servant for a paltry debt of ten dollars, and would not listen to the poor man's plea for mercy. When we hear what the king did to this heartless servant we heartily approve and say: "It served him right, he got what he richly deserved."

We had better stop and think for a moment today and reflect that we ourselves may be that merciless servant described in the parable. Every time we have sinned mortally we have incurred an unpayable debt to God. Each time we have received absolution we have come out of God's courtroom as free men. A weight greater than a million dollar debt has been lifted from our shoulders. A fate worse than generations of earthly imprisonment — that is, eternal slavery — has been spared us because of God's loving, infinite mercy. How then can it happen that we could be so heartless, mean, and foolish as to refuse to forgive a neighbor for some offense he has committed against us?

Yet it happens, and it may be that there are some among us here today who continue to have enmity in their hearts against neighbors who offended them. In their hard-heartedness they cannot get themselves to forgive and forget. Are these not following in the footsteps of the merciless servant? Will they not receive the punishment of the merciless servant — a punishment richly deserved? This will be the fate of all unforgiving Christians; they will meet an unforgiving God when they are called to settle their accounts.

That day has not yet come for us. We still have time to put our affairs in order. We still can forgive all our enemies from our heart. If we do not, we are cutting ourselves off from the possibility of having our own sins and offenses forgiven by God. We have the solemn word of our divine Lord for this in the lesson he draws from the parable "So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you (that is, deliver us up to eternal slavery) if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

—Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

Father Dennis Di Benedetto

In Our Parish

JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS

Come enjoy coffee, donuts, and good conversation after the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, September 13th. We'll meet in the parish hall—everyone is welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

Sunday, September 27, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Join us for a delicious breakfast in the parish hall. Breakfast includes scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage, all-you-can-eat French toast, applesauce, coffee, milk and orange juice. Adults \$10, children ages 6-12--\$5, age 5 and under are Free. Please come and support the Knights.

ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER & TRUNK OR TREAT

Save the date: Saturday, October 24th!

Join us for our annual Chili Supper and Trunk or Treat! We are looking forward to a fantastic day of food, fellowship, and Halloween fun for the whole family. Keep an eye out for more details in upcoming bulletins. We are beginning to plan this event and would love fresh ideas! If you would like to host an activity, game, or event—or join the planning committee—please contact Kelli Zelt at srsoffice@strosemonroeville.org

40TH 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. Please return your pledge card, which will be included in this mailing. You may place it in the collection basket at the weekend Masses or mail it directly to the parish office.

OCTOBER IS MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Our Lady of Fatima asked us to pray the Rosary daily for peace. Invite Our Lady into your home by hosting our parish Fatima statue for a week. We also invite you to join our parish prayer chain—prayer is powerful! To host the statue or join the prayer chain, please contact Rosie at 260-241-5059.

Events and Happenings

Parish Calendar

September 20	Coffee & Donuts (after 8AM Mass)
September 26 & 27	Food Bank Collection
October 24	Chili Supper/Trunk or Treat

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, September 15:

6:00 pm Kennedy & Hunter Families/MH
Family of the Day • Jim & Marilyn Castleman

Wednesday, September 16:..... (SRS Chapel)

8:15 am †Phyllis Van Horn/EEC
Family of the Day • Joe & Jane Castleman

Thursday, September 17:

6:00 pm †Chris Beauchot/GJB
6:30 pm Adoration & Confessions (Until 7:30pm)
7:35 pm Rosary Walk
Family of the Day • Ken & Jean Castleman

Friday, September 18: (SRS Chapel)

8:15 am †Susie Darras/SAM
Family of the Day • Larry & Karen Castleman

Saturday, September 19:

4:40 pm Rosary
5:00 pm †Chris Beauchot/GJB
Family of the Day • Nicholas Castleman

Sunday, September 20:

7:40 am Rosary
8:00 am Pro Populo
9:40 am Rosary
10:00am †Zach Foster/RG
Family of the Day • Robert Castleman



An Accounting of Our Stewardship

September 6, 2026

Adult Collections • 45/136.....\$2,925.00
Loose\$291.00

Special Collections

School Support • 6/136.....\$460.00
Building Maintenance • 17/136\$1,175.00

Other Collections

Cemetery Fund • 1/136.....\$15.00

GRAND TOTAL.....\$4,866.00

KINGDOM BUILDERS

Ladies, join us on Thursday, Sept. 17th, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
St. Joseph Hessen Cassel Church. For more information,
go to: **BuildingThroughHim.com**

NATIONAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Join us for ENFLAME! Hosted by Kingdom Builders on
October 3rd, 8:30 AM-5:00 PM, at the Allen County War
Memorial Coliseum. Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration,
Food, Live Music, Shopping and phenomenal speakers.
Ticket sales close on September 16th! To register, go to
BUILDINGTHROUGHHIM.COM/CONFERENCE

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ANNUAL HOLY MASS & BREAKFAST

Come celebrate Our Lady of Fatima with the Fort Wayne–
South Bend Diocesan Division of the World Apostolate of
Fatima (Blue Army) at our Annual Holy Mass & Breakfast!
Saturday, October 3, 2026 at the Cathedral of the
Immaculate Conception.

Morning Schedule: 7:30 AM – Confessions

8:00 AM – Holy Rosary & First Saturday Devotions

9:00 AM – Holy Mass with Bishop Joseph N. Perry, Fr.

Glenn Kohrman & Fr. Robert Garrow

After Mass, join the Marian Procession to the Grand
Wayne Center for breakfast and a keynote address by
Bishop Joseph N. Perry.

🔗 Tickets Available Now: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/annual-october-breakfast> RSVP (optional):
christine@fatimafwsb.org

Liturgical Ministers

September 19th & 20th

Ushers

Saturday, 5:00 pm ... Larry Castleman & Joe Schmidt
Sunday, 8:00 amGreg Smith & Don Scott
Sunday, 10:00 pm Tim Kimmel & Neal Rothgeb

Lectors

Saturday, 5:00 pm Blane Ryan
Sunday, 8:00 amJim Cadoret
Sunday, 10:00 am TBD

Servers

Saturday, 5:00 pm Maddie Baumert, Tinley Evans
Sunday, 8:00 am Gavin & Maddox Taylor
Sunday, 10:00 am Levi & Skylar Gerardot

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, 5:00 pm Blane Ryan
Sunday, 8:00 am Sydney Castleman
Sunday, 10:00 am Rachel Zelt

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

Prayerfully consider becoming a part of the
liturgical ministry at St. Rose. We are currently in
need of additional Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary
Ministers and Altar Servers. Please contact the
parish office by email: strosemonroeville@outlook.com
or call (260) 623-6439.