



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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October 25, 2026 • 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM PASTOR'S DESK**All Hallows Eve - October 31**

Halloween or All Hallows Eve is not a liturgical feast on the Catholic calendar, but the celebration has deep ties to the Liturgical Year. The three consecutive days — Halloween, All Saints Day and All Souls Day — illustrate the Communion of Saints. We, the Church Militant (those on earth, striving to get to Heaven) pray for the Church Suffering (those souls in Purgatory) especially on All Souls Day and the month of November. We rejoice and honor the Church Triumphant (the saints, canonized and not canonized) in Heaven. We also ask the Saints' intercession for us.

The separate vigil and octave were abrogated in 1955, but Halloween evening marks the beginning of the observance of All Saints Day.

In England, saints or holy people are called "hallowed," hence the name "All Hallows' Day." The evening, or "e'en" before the feast became popularly known as "All Hallows Eve" or even shorter, "Hallowe'en."

Since it was the night before All Saints Day, "All Hallows Eve" (now known as Halloween), was the vigil and required fasting, many recipes and traditions have come down for this evening, such as pancakes, boxty bread and boxty pancakes, barmbrack (Irish fruit bread with hidden charms), colcannon (combination of cabbage and boiled potatoes). This was also known as "Nutcrack Night" in England, where the family gathered around the hearth to enjoy cider and nuts and apples.

Halloween is the preparation for and combination of the two upcoming feasts. Although the demonic and witchcraft have no place in a Catholic celebration, some macabre can be incorporated into Halloween. It is good to dwell on our certain death, the Poor Souls in Purgatory, and the Sacrament of the Sick. And tied in with this theme is the saints, canonized and not canonized. What did they do in their lives that they were able to reach Heaven? How can we imitate them? How can we, like these saints, prepare our souls for death at any moment?

Excerpted from www.catholicculture.org

Father Dennis Di Benedetto

IN OUR PARISH**A NOTE FROM FR. DENNIS**

As 2026 comes to an end I'll be using up the remainder of the 36 vacation days the Diocese allots us priests. (These days don't rollover into the next year if they aren't used). **From November 5th to 13th** I'll be making a pilgrimage to some of the holy sites in the Kingdom of Spain with two of my seminary classmates. **During this time we won't have daily Mass but the weekend schedule will remain the same thanks to Fr. Zane Langenbrunner from St. Vincent's.** This is a trip we were about to take in March of 2020 but then the world shutdown for Covid. It's taken us six years to reschedule due to our one friend's service as an Air Force chaplain that has taken him to Korea, Qatar, and Germany. I am grateful for your prayers for a safe trip and I'll be praying for you at the various churches, monasteries, and shrines we will be visiting.

REMEMBRANCE MASS/ALL SOULS DAY

Monday, November 2nd at 6:00 pm.
Commemorating all the dear departed parishioners from St. Rose. Each family who has lost a family member in the past year will be presented with a "Loving Memory Candle". All are welcome to attend.

COLLECTION FOR HOMELESS

During the months of October and November, a collection of hygiene items for the homeless will replace the drive for the local food bank. Items suggested: toothpaste/toothbrushes, shampoo, lotion, shower gel, deodorant and chapstick. Any size is appreciated but please avoid quart-size containers. Place all donations in the meeting room at the parish hall.

Events and Happenings**Parish Calendar**

November 2	Remembrance Mass 6:00 pm
November 8	Coffee & Donuts

School Calendar

November 13	Carnival & Spaghetti Dinner
November 24	Grandparent's/ Special Person's Day

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, October 27:

6:00 pm †Betty O'Shaughnessey/JJK
Family of the Day • Don Gerardot

Wednesday, October 28:

8:15 am †Earl Kennedy/MH
Family of the Day • Doris Gerardot

Thursday, October 29:

6:00 pm †Rosie Beauchot/ARS
6:30 pm Adoration & Confessions (Until 7:30 pm)
7:35 pm Rosary Walk
Family of the Day • Joe & Jeni Gerardot

Friday, October 30:

8:15 am †Kennedy & Hunter Families/MH
Family of the Day • Phyllis Gilbert

Saturday, October 31:

4:40 pm Rosary
5:00 pm †Susie Darras
Family of the Day • Logan Grannis

Sunday, November 1: All Saints Day

7:40 am Rosary
8:00 am †Dan Kirkendall/CK
9:40 am Rosary
10:00am Pro Populo
Family of the Day • Mike & Patti Hahn

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOY DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Toy Drive to benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Decatur! Please drop off new or gently used toys at the parish office between November 1st and November 30th. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE

A sincere thank you to everyone who has submitted their pledge! If you have not yet returned your pledge card, please consider doing so soon. No gift is too small, and every contribution makes a difference. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ST. MARK'S FOOD DRIVE UPDATE

There will not be a Food Drive in November and December due to collection for the homeless in November and Giving Tree in December.

CEMETERY FALL CLEAN-UP

Please note that summer decorations must be removed by November 1st.

ST. HENRY MINISTRIES

Produce from Trader Joe's will be passed out every Thursday at 5:30 pm in the parking lot.



WELCOME TO ST. ROSE PARISH!

Interested in joining our parish? You can pick up a registration form from the wall pocket in the vestibule, or contact the parish office to have one sent to you.

An Accounting of Our Stewardship

October 18, 2026

Adult Collections • 49/136\$3,588.63
Loose\$357.00

Special Collections

School Support • 4/136 185.00
Building Maintenance • 1/136 100.00

Diocesan Collections

World Missions • 7/136\$102.00

GRAND TOTAL.....\$4,332.63

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Parish Goal.....\$23,599.74
Pledges as of 10/20/26\$15,795.00
Percent to Pledge Goal..... 67%

Liturgical Ministers

October 31st & November 1

Ushers

Saturday, 5:00 pm Martin Family
Sunday, 8:00 am Tim Swygart & Nobe Jones
Sunday, 10:00 pm Jack Castleman & Jerome Kill

Lectors

Saturday, 5:00 pm Blane Ryan
Sunday, 8:00 am Linda Johnson
Sunday, 10:00 am Jaxon Feasby

Servers

Saturday, 5:00 pm Maelyn Harris, Volunteer
Sunday, 8:00 am .. Lillie & Evan Minnick, Jaxon Ward
Sunday, 10:00 am Jakob Feasby, Elaina Renninger

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

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