



# ST. ROSE OF LIMA

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

NOVEMBER 9, 2025



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His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,  
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

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### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	4:00 PM (SAT) 7:30 9:30 AM
	11:30 AM 5:00 PM
DAILY (M-F)	6:45 9:00 AM
SAT/HOLIDAY	8:00 AM
HOLY DAY	7:30 PM (VIGIL) 6:45 9:00 AM
	5:30 PM

### REGISTRATION

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE ASKED TO FORMALLY REGISTER WITH THE PARISH AS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE MAILINGS, SPONSOR CERTIFICATES, AND SACRAMENTS. VISIT THE WEBSITE OR CALL THE OFFICE.

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## Mass Intentions for the Week



### Monday, November 10

- 6:45 Cindy O'Neill . . . . . Bernadette McSweeney  
Marie Castellano . . . . . Bernadette McSweeney  
9:00 Fransisca Fernandez . . . . . Telma Grayson  
Jenny Desrosiers . . . . . Family

### Tuesday, November 11

- 8:00 Intentions of St. Rose Parishioners

### Wednesday, November 12

- 6:45 Intentions of Pam Emmerling . . Bernadette McSweeney  
9:00 Fred Allen, Jenny Desrosiers, & Gerald Chrusciel . .  
Family  
Paul O'Donnell . . . . . Nancy Bosley & Terry Hundt

### Thursday, November 13

- 6:45 Joseph Ancona . . . . . Joan Ancona  
9:00 Jack Obre . . . . . Family  
Mary DeLeva . . . . . The Wurtz Family

### Friday, November 14

- 6:45 Intentions of Roberta Goodwin . . . . . Lee Gentile  
9:00 Cynthia & Vincent McRuiz . . . . . Family  
Patricia Civale & Michael Prall . . Sheila & Cosmo Civale

### Saturday, November 15

- 8:00 Intentions of St. Rose Parishioners  
4:00 William Lavery . . . . . Family  
Lorraine Casey . . . . . Casey & Halstead Families

### Sunday, November 16

- 7:30 Intentions of Amy Pontillo . . . . . Marianne Hodge  
John T. O'Boyle, Sr. . . . . Family  
9:30 Matthew Hunyadi . . . . . Ted & Cathy Hunyadi  
Richard Barillari . . . . . Family  
11:30 Father Ronald Dupuis & Dave, Frank & Jack  
Mancini . . . . . Marilyn & Dick Gingras  
Karen Murphy . . . . . Social Concerns  
5:00 Assunta Pavia . . . . . Maria Gallucci  
Gail Boltz . . . . . Clare Savarese & Family

### The Sanctuary Candle

will be lit this week in memory of Joseph Ancona as requested by the Ancona Family.

### Wedding Banns

BANNS I: Kennedy Ballard & Michael Santos

### October 2025 Baptisms

We warmly welcome into our parish family:

Carter Lee Burnette	Violet Isabella Lopez
Cameron John Carusillo	Grayson Carlos Mannix
Leonidas John Garr	Leone John Petrone
Ronal James Harrington III	Olivia Grace Ramsey
Bodie Scott King	Charles Irving Reynolds
Elora Anne King	Elinor Jean Sharpe
Hazel Mae Lindsey	Viktor Paul Young

### RECONCILIATION

Celebrated Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00PM or by special appointment with one of the priests.

### BAPTISM

Celebrated on Sundays at 1:00PM. A pre-Baptism class is required. For other important parent and sponsor related prerequisites, please go to [strosechurch.com/baptism](http://strosechurch.com/baptism).

### FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST RECONCILIATION, and CONFIRMATION

Religious education classes may begin at age 5. First Grade is prerequisite for First Reconciliation and First Communion. Attendance is required in each grade for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 7. For more information go to [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com), click on Sacraments.

### MARRIAGE

Contact the Rectory to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. For all other important pre-requisites for the marriage sacrament, go to [strosechurch.com/marriage](http://strosechurch.com/marriage).

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Rectory to receive this sacrament or to have Holy Communion brought to your home.

### MORNING PRAYER

Weekdays at 8:40AM.

### SAINT ROSE CEMETERY

Located at the corner of Cherry and Black Cherry Streets in Sandy Hook. For more information contact the Rectory.

### SAINT ROSE RECTORY

Office hours are 9AM to 4PM Monday-Friday.

## Your Weekly Offertory

### can be made here:

Just scan the code and choose *Sunday Offertory* and any other cause you'd like to support.  
Thank you!



A MESSAGE FROM *Father Peter*

## Veteran's Day Reflection

Vincent Capodanno was born February 13, 1929, youngest of ten children of an Italian immigrant couple. He grew up on Staten Island, joined the Maryknoll order to become a missionary, and was ordained in 1958. September 4, 1967 found him, a Navy chaplain in Vietnam, with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 5<sup>th</sup> Marines near the village of Dong Son in the Que-Son Valley. A Navy medic, Lt. Joseph E. Pilon, described the day's events.

"On Labor Day our battalion ran into a world of trouble... 500 Marines against 2500 North Vietnamese Army regulars. We were constantly on the verge of [being] completely overrun and the Marines on several occasions had to 'advance in a retrograde movement.' This left the dead and wounded outside the perimeter....

"Casualties were running high and Fr. C. had his work cut out for him. Early in the day, he was shot through the right hand which all but shattered his hand — one corpsman patched him up and tried to med evac him but Fr. C. declined. A few hours later a mortar landed near him and left his right arm in shreds hanging from his side. Once again he was patched up and once again he refused evacuation.

"There he was, moving slowly from wounded to dead to wounded using his left arm to support his right as he gave absolution or last rites, when suddenly he spied a corpsman get knocked down by the burst of an automatic weapon. Fr. C. ran out to him and positioned himself between the injured boy and the automatic weapon. Suddenly the weapon opened up again and this time riddled Fr. C. from the back of his head to the base of his spine—and with his third Purple Heart of the day Fr. C. went Home."

In the Gospel we hear Jesus: "Blessed are those servants whom the Master finds vigilant on His arrival." The vigilance of the Christian is similar to the vigilance of the soldier on the battlefield. He may not have to dodge bullets or mortar fire, but this does not make the lives and souls of those entrusted to his care any less difficult or this life and culture we live in any less of a battlefield. And this vigilance is not simply a waiting around, drumming one's finger tips upon the table. It is the active vigilance of the Christian who, with devotion to Christ and Church, stands between the dangers of this life and its countless seductive evils and the people God loves to infinity entrusted to him.

And he does so armed to the teeth with constant prayer, numerous devotions like the Rosary which become for others their shields of protection. And the greatest weapons of all drawn forth from His nuclear arsenal of graces and blessings: the sacraments. In place of the violence, madness, and horror of war the Christian confronts the terrors of fear, sin, suffering and death that seem to launch wave after wave of attack against the human heart, overburdening it with sorrow, and in place of this pain, with his vigilance he provides comfort, strength, and healing for the wounded emotional and spiritual soldiers we all become in this challenging world.

As Christ placed Himself in the line of fire of sin and death, and as Fr Capodanno did, both not only with their heart, mind, and soul but fulfilling the demands of their sacrifice by giving up their bodies as well; for love and devotion put no limits on what they shall give...wanting to give everything.

One of the most intense passages regarding the nature of the Priesthood and by extension the nature of any Christian life is the following written by Pope John Paul II regarding the Mass: "Be aware of what you are doing; imitate what you hold in your hands. Just as the whole life of Our Savior was pointed toward His sacrifice of Himself, so too the life of the priest, who must reproduce the image of Christ in himself, must become a pleasing sacrifice with Him and through Him and in Him. . . And so it is not enough for him to celebrate the Eucharistic sacrifice, but in a very deep sense, he must live it; for in this way, he can draw from it the heavenly strength that will enable him to be profoundly transformed and to share in the sacrificial life of the Divine Redeemer himself. The soul of the priest must refer what takes place on the sacrificial altar to himself; for just as Jesus Christ sacrifices Himself, his minister must sacrifice himself along with Him... to bring about his own purification and that of his neighbors."

As the body draws strength, life, and health from each breath it takes and beat of its heart, we must draw our strength from the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. In the offering of Christ to the Father, their blessing of it will then fall upon ourselves so that they may then offer us, sanctified, as so many gifts of graces to bring healing, hope, and more love to others who are being overrun by the forces of evil in this world.

Jesus reminds us that HE has come not to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many. To wait on one...to serve another and what more and what better can one give than one's entire life in love for another? Again, the words of Christ on the night of the Last Supper, Fr Capodanno on the day of his last moments on earth: "Greater love hath no man than to lay down his life for those he loves." Thank you Veterans and all in our armed forces who do that laying down and loving each day.





## Regular Meetings

### Adoration.

Worship the Lord Tuesdays at 7:00PM (Confession available), Thursdays/Fridays at 3:00PM, and first Fridays from 10:00AM-4:00PM in church.

### Cancer Support Group.

Meets second Wednesday of month at 7:00PM via Zoom.

### Columbiettes.

Meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00PM in Knights Hall.

### Communion and Liberation (C&L).

Meets every Wednesday evening at 7:00PM via Zoom.

### Children's Rosary.

Meets every third Thursday of the month during school season in the church at 4:30PM.

### Divine Mercy Cenacle.

Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 3:00PM in the Chapel.

### Family Life Ministry.

Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Rectory conference room. Rosary for Life after 8:00AM Mass every First Saturday.

### Health Ministry.

Meets quarterly, meeting place and time to be determined.

### Job Networking.

Meets the second Tuesday of the month via Zoom. Guest speakers featured.

### Kennedy Rosary Project

Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM at 38 Church Hill Road.

### Knights of Columbus.

Meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00PM in Knights Hall.

### Lay Missionaries of Charity.

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month after 9:00AM Mass and 5:30PM in the Bride's Room. Holy Hour in the church every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00PM.

### Men's Faith Network.

Meets every Saturday at 7:30AM via Zoom.

### Rosary Prayer Group.

Pray the Rosary in front of the Blessed Mother after 9:00AM Mass weekdays, 8AM Mass Saturdays.

### Spiritual Journey.

Meets every Thursday at 10:15 in Holy Innocents bldg.

### Squires.

Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM in Knights Hall.

### United Youth Ministry.

Meets most Sundays at 6:30PM on Parish grounds.

### Women's Club.

Meets every second Tuesday to pray the Rosary following 9:00AM Mass in the Bride's Room, breakfast afterward. Book Group meets third Thursday at 10:00AM in Holy Innocents bldg, Sept-May. Bring Your Own Lunch gathering, Sept-May, first Thursday at 11:30AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

### Women's Enrichment Book Study.

Meets Tuesdays at 9:45AM in Holy Innocents bldg.

### Walking with Purpose.

Women's guided Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 7:00PM or Wednesdays at 10:00AM.

*Find the details! for all ministries*  
including contact info at [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com)

### Annual PreCana Workshop

If you are getting married in the coming year, or you know someone who will be, please encourage them to sign up for our St. Rose Church PreCana Workshop on Saturday, February 28. This in-person workshop helps couples learn about the many aspects of marriage - finances, communication, conflict resolution, threats to a healthy marriage, intimacy and its responsibilities, and learning to love for a lifetime. In this full day workshop couples engage with team couples to help navigate these topics. There is time for discussion, laughter, games, and social time, as well as plenty of food and beverages. Please contact Kelly Gerbo, Wedding Coordinator, to register for this annual event. (203) 426-1014.

### Women's Enrichment Book Study

Please join us starting on Tues, Dec. 2nd for our next study, "Epic: The Early Church" by Steve Weidkopf (Ascension Press). This study urges you to grow closer to Christ through a deeper understanding of his Church. Get to know the people and events that shaped the first five hundred years of the Church. The study is comprised of readings, videos, and discussion which will strengthen and affirm your own walk of faith. We meet on Tuesdays from 9:45 am to 11:30 am in Holy Innocents. Come join us for fellowship, prayer, and discussion. For more info, please the website or contact Elizabeth Lynch at 203-270-9072



### Watch...Listen...live and archive.

**Go to [Strosechurch.com/live-stream](http://Strosechurch.com/live-stream).** Watch daily and weekend Mass plus Catholic community content on audio-only stream from the Vatican and other sources. Special celebrations at St. Rose can be live-streamed for a fee. We are always looking for operators. Call the office for all the info.

### Stay Connected with St. Rose Parish.

We share current updates, happenings, and important announcements on social media, our website, and email. Write to [Content@strosechurch.com](mailto:Content@strosechurch.com) to get on our Parish email list and go to [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com) to connect via Facebook, Instagram, X, and YouTube.

### Use Online Giving.

It's easy to give to the many causes at St. Rose Parish. Our online giving page is easy to use - make one-time donation or set-up recurring payments. Go to [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com) and click on Giving to start!

### Get VIRTUS trained to be a volunteer.

In compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. If you wish to help in any way within the Parish please register at [virtus.org](http://virtus.org). If you attended the class more than 5 years ago, you need to be recertified. Call the office with questions or help.

### Have a Minute?

It only takes that long to watch a weekly spiritual and inspirational message from Fr. Peter. In our **Fr. Cip Clips** series Fr. Peter offers thoughts and reflections on what it means to live a faith-filled life as a Roman Catholic and navigate through the challenging world around us. See it on [strosechurch.com](http://strosechurch.com) and all our social media channels.

#### Northern Fairfield Professionals Meeting

5:30 - 8 pm, November 11, Knights of Columbus building

**Speakers:** Deb Lundstrom and Lexi Lopiano

**Topic:** Mock Interview Session: Sharpen Your Skills, Strengthen Your Story

A workshop designed to help you refine your interview skills, build confidence, and get real-time feedback to support your job search journey. Whether you're actively interviewing or preparing to re-enter the market, this session is an opportunity to practice articulating your experience, strengths, and goals in a supportive, professional setting. If you are going to attend, please email [johnbarryitech@gmail.com](mailto:johnbarryitech@gmail.com) for more details on the meeting and what to bring. To receive an NFP Evite email and other information on upcoming NFP meetings, please email [johnbarryitech@gmail.com](mailto:johnbarryitech@gmail.com)

### Bereavement Counseling and Funeral Planning.

Please call the office to schedule a meeting with Sister Mary Ellen Genova.

### Health Ministry.

- ♦ The Health Council supports health-related special events and services.
- ♦ Seminars on informative health topics are scheduled periodically. See the website for details.

### Friendly Visitors.

Spend time once a month with elderly who are isolated at home.

### Lift-A-Spirit Meal Ministry.

Make a home cooked meal for parishioners facing chronic illness or medical emergencies.

### Pastoral Visits.

We bring Communion to parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized, or not able to attend Mass for any reason.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Volunteers meet on the second Tuesday, September to November and February to May, in Holy Innocents Building at 10:00AM. Requests for a prayer shawl for someone who is ill, grieving, or lonely are welcome any time.

### Social Concerns Committee.

Help support parishioners and neighbors in need.

- ♦ Volunteers meet first Tuesday of every month (except July/August) at 11:30AM in Holy Innocents Building.
- ♦ Religious Articles are sold in the vestibule every third weekend of the month.
- ♦ Cares Box is always in the back of the Church for donations.
- ♦ **Parishioner to Parishioner:** Know someone who needs household furniture? Please email [Robinlynann@aol.com](mailto:Robinlynann@aol.com) or call the rectory. Families that are moving or downsizing have furnishings to offer!

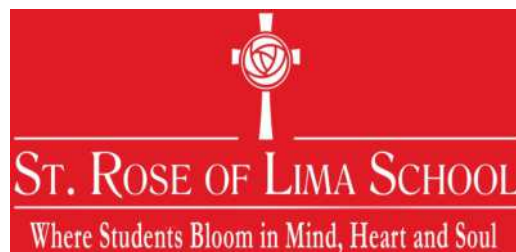
### St. Joseph Project.

Supports parishioners who have housing issues due to job loss, illness, or unexpected emergency. Donations accepted on the fourth Sunday of the month in the house shaped collection box in the vestibule.

*Contact Us!* for a directory of all

**Outreach Ministries:** Go to [strosechurch.com/parish-outreach](http://strosechurch.com/parish-outreach) for contact names, numbers, and email.





**Veterans Day Classes in Session - Nov 11** Please note that Newtown Public Schools are in session on Veterans Day, Nov 11. Therefore, our Religious Education classes will be in session. As a reminder, Religious Education classes follow the Newtown Public School calendar for days off and snow days. Please see our calendar on the website for more details.

**Confirmation Retreat with Chris Padgett - Nov 15** Details will be sent to Confirmation students and their families regarding this retreat - which is a prerequisite for Confirmation.

**Grade 5/6, OCIA Instructional Mass - Nov 16 @ 3 pm** Please join us as our students and OCIA adults learn about the Mass with Father Peter Cipriani. Students should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Attendance will be taken. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation.

**Homeschool check-in #2 - Nov 19** The second check-in meeting for our Homeschool students will take place on Wednesday, Nov 19, at 4:30 pm in Holy Innocents. This meeting will be an hour-long class for both students and parent/guardian. We will work together to teach the lesson, do the activities, and give you resources for continuing the lesson at home. Students should bring their workbooks with them for review.

**Children's Rosary - Nov 20** All families - children especially - are invited to our monthly rosary hour at 4 pm in our church. This one hour of prayer is coordinated by two volunteers, but we encourage our youth to lead in reciting the rosary. Booklets and assistance are provided to learn the prayers of the rosary and the four sets of mysteries.

Students in grade six and seven will receive one service hour for attending, as this is a spiritual work of Mercy for Confirmation preparation. Any questions, please call Cate Gosselin (203) 426-2333, Ext. 1.

**Offices Closed - Thanksgiving Weekend** Please note that the Religious Education offices will be closed from Wednesday, Nov. 26 to Sunday, Nov. 30. There are **NO Sunday classes on Sunday, Nov. 30**. We wish all of our students, catechists and families a very happy and healthy weekend.

**St. Rose School Highlights** This week, a group of our 6th grade students and parent volunteers traveled to the Veterans Hospital in West Haven to deliver 256 care bags filled with toiletries and essentials. The students met with hospital personnel, who gratefully accepted the donations and presented our school with a certificate of appreciation. A heartfelt thank you to our school families for donating items and to all students who helped assemble the bags. Their generosity made a real difference in honoring those who served our country.

On Friday, St. Rose School students celebrated the 50th day of school in true 1950s style! Students came dressed for the decade, attended morning Mass together, and then headed to the Gathering Hall for a fun Sock Hop celebration. The festivities continued at lunch where everyone enjoyed a classic root beer float—a sweet way to mark this special milestone in our school year.

**Our next fundraiser kicked off on November 3rd — The Mill Fudge Fundraiser!** Parishioners are invited to participate by purchasing delicious fudge for the holidays. Orders will be delivered on or around December 18th, just in time for Christmas gifting and celebrations. Scan here to buy Fudge:



We also would like to invite all parishioners, friends, and supporters of St. Rose to join us for **Blooms & Boots: Autumn at Reverie**, a special adults' night out benefiting St. Rose School. The event will be held at Reverie Brewing Company on Saturday, November 15, and promises an evening of great food, music, raffles, and community spirit—all in support of our students and school programs. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with friends, meet new faces, and show your support for St. Rose in a relaxed and festive setting. Tickets are \$75 per person and include your first drink, a gourmet barbecue dinner, and access to our private event space. We hope to see you there! Buy tickets here:



**We are also collecting donations for our annual Turkey Trot Collection!** Students are bringing in non-perishable food items to help stock the St. Rose Food Pantry and support local families in need during the Thanksgiving season.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for St. Rose School—where students continue to bloom in mind, heart, and soul!

For more information about attending St. Rose School, visit [www.stroseschool.com](http://www.stroseschool.com) or call 203-426-5102.

**Support Our Mission! If purchasing Fudge or Reverie Night doesn't meet your needs, we invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the BLOOMS Fund**, which helps bridge the tuition gap and provides vital resources to ensure that every St. Rose student continues to "bloom in mind, heart, and soul." Your generosity allows us to keep Catholic education vibrant for our children today and for generations to come.







Presents

## The Annual Live Nativity



**SATURDAY, DEC 13, 2025**

**FOLLOWING THE 4 PM MASS**

**LOCATION:** The Stable on the Field behind St. Rose Church.



If you would like your children or grandchildren to participate in this live presentation, or if you are an adult/Confirmation candidate interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Beth Sippin at [mb@sippin.com](mailto:mb@sippin.com) or (203) 258-3462.



There is only one rehearsal, which will take place on Sunday, Dec. 7 from 1 to 2:30 pm in the Holy Innocents Hall. Everyone must come dressed and prepared for an outdoor rehearsal. Please wear boots or old shoes, as the stable area could be muddy.

Social Concerns

# THANKSGIVING DRIVE

NOVEMBER  
**8/9**  
MASSES



*Accepting at Mass*

Grocery Gift Cards  
Pharmacy Gift Cards  
Monetary Donation

OR

*Donate Online*



*We Support*

St. Rose Parish~FAITH Food Pantry  
Catholic Charities  
Thomas Merton Center  
St. Charles Outreach~St. Peter's  
Dorothy Day House~Spooon House  
Daughters of Charity~Renewal House  
Interfaith Aids Ministry  
Blessed Sacrament  
The Center for Empowerment

Your donations help us provide food, hygiene and cleaning items. The need is greater than ever ~ thank you for your support.

## UNITED YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING SCHEDULE

**6:00-8:00PM  
SUNDAYS**

**NOV  
9**

**BOYS DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT**  
OPEN TO BOYS 9-12 GRADE  
ST ROSE SCHOOL GYM/HALL

**NOV  
16**

**ROSARY & SERVICE NIGHT**  
OPEN TO 7-12 GRADERS  
ST ROSE SCHOOL GYM/HALL

**NOV  
23**

**GIRLS DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT**  
OPEN TO GIRLS 9-12 GRADE  
ST ROSE SCHOOL GYM/HALL

**NOV  
30**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**  
THERE IS NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING DUE TO THE HOLIDAY.

2025-2026

[youth@strosechurch.com](mailto:youth@strosechurch.com)

## Parish Mission 2025 December 1-3

Fr Bill Garrott Returns to St. Rosé

[www.dominicanpreachers.org](http://www.dominicanpreachers.org)



Rosary at 7:00pm Holy

Each mission talk begins in the church at 7:30pm

Mission is suitable for children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and above





### JOIN US FOR OCIA (was RCIA)

**OCIA** - the **Order** of Christian Initiation of Adults begins October 16, 2025. We encourage any adult who has questions about Catholicism to join us.

Who is OCIA for?

- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or if already baptized, through a Profession of Faith
- Those who were baptized Catholic as a child but never received religious education, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

We invite you to join our OCIA program. Fall session will meet weekly and consist of educational information and faith-sharing discussions.

Please contact Donna Locke at 203 513 0822, or [RCIA@strosechurch.co](mailto:RCIA@strosechurch.co) if you are interested in attending or would like information.

### The Rescue Project - Introductory Session

Do you have doubts about your Faith in a world that is so confusing? Are you unsure of how it all should fit together in these complicated times we live in? Do you just want to know more about our Catholic faith?

St. Rose will be presenting "The Rescue Project" series by Fr. John Ricciardo, where we'll be hearing a new take on the history of Jesus' coming and Resurrection. Join us in Holy Innocents on November 12 at 7:30pm for a conversation previewing the video series, camaraderie with fellow parishioners, and hopefully the rekindling of your faith. Contact Pedro Saboia at [pedrosab@gmail.com](mailto:pedrosab@gmail.com) to register or for more information.

To watch the introduction video, go to <https://watch.actsxxix.org/therescueproject/videos/the-rescue-project-trailer>

### Boy Scouts Wreath Sale

Boy Scout Troop 770, which is sponsored by St. Rose of Lima Church, will be holding its annual holiday wreath sale Thanksgiving weekend after Masses on Saturday and Sunday, November 29th and 30th. The wreaths are 22-inch fresh balsam fir with a red bow and cost \$20 each. We will also be selling white pine roping - 25 ft for \$25. Venmo, cash, and checks payable to Troop 770 accepted. All proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 770 and help fund community service projects, monthly campouts, leadership training, troop supplies, and equipment. New scouts are always welcome to join our troop!

**ST. VIRGILIUS COLUMBIETTES**

## Advent Sale and Quilt Raffle

Beginning November 15, the St. Virgilius Columbiettes will host a two-week sale of Advent and Christmas items in the church vestibule before and after all Masses and during the week.

Don't miss the chance to enter the raffle for a handmade seasonal queen size quilt created by a parishioner and Columbiette.

Proceeds benefit the charitable work of the St. Virgilius Columbiettes #185.  
Cash or checks only  
Questions? Contact Gayle Hill  
Text only 203-627-7549

## Advent By Candlelight

A ladies night of fellowship, refreshments,  
music and more

Sunday, December 7th  
5-8pm at Monsignor Weiss Gathering Hall

**Guest Speaker & Author Laura Phelps**

*"Say NO to being overwhelmed by the world,  
and YES to being overshadowed by the Spirit?"*

Cost: \$25 per person

Register on Church website or scan QR  
code by 12/3/25





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 All Ministries/ leaders [www.strosechurch.com](http://www.strosechurch.com)

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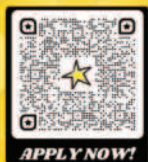
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