

# 7TH SUNDAY *of Easter*

May 29, 2022

## *St. Rose of Lima Church*



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## PASTOR'S CORNER

**MAKING PROGRESS!** The flooring in the sanctuary space is completed, and we are awaiting the small platforms which will be placed under the Pulpit and the Cantor Stand. These will give much greater visibility to the congregation. The carpet in the nave of the church will be replaced after the school year ends. Thanks for your patience, and for your generous support of our Renew! Repair! Rejoice! Campaign. To date we have received close to 50 responses with a total donation of over \$15,000. If everyone does their part, we can do a lot!!!!

**MEMORIAL DAY** – Monday is our secular version of All Souls Day, and was originally called Decoration Day until 1971. The years following the end of the Civil War in 1865 saw American communities tending to the remains and graves of an unprecedented number of war dead. All of the previous wars and conflicts fought by the United States combined would still not add up to the body count produced by the Civil War. On the first official Decoration Day -- May 30, 1868 -- Ohio Rep. James A. Garfield, a former general and future U.S. president, addressed a crowd of 5,000 gathered at Arlington National Cemetery. Please join us for Mass at 9:00 to pray for our departed veterans and family members.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE PASSION PLAY** – On Friday I will be departing with over three dozen pilgrims to participate in the historic Oberammergau Passion play, in the small Bavarian village of the same name. The story is this: according to local legend, the play got its start in 1634 because of a vow made by the inhabitants of the village that if God spared them from the effects of the bubonic plague then sweeping the region, they would perform a passion play every decade. After the vow was made, according to tradition, not another inhabitant of the town died from the plague. The play is now performed in years ending with a zero, though it was cancelled at the time of the World Wars. The 2020 play is being performed in 2022 due to the outbreak of COVID-19. This magnificent performance takes about 6 hours, with an intermission for lunch in the village. This 42<sup>nd</sup> Passion Play involves over 2000 actors, singers, instrumentalists and technicians, all of whom are required to be residents of the village.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!** We rejoice with our 2022 graduates, from both our public and Catholic High Schools. We also include our applause for those graduating from elementary school as well those who are completing their college experience! We know how much parents sacrifice for their education of their children, and are grateful for all they do to prepare our young for the future!

**LOVIN' OUR PARISH PICNIC!** Many thanks to all who helped in any way to prepare for our parish picnic, and to all who participated. Although the pandemic cramped our style for a couple years, WE ARE BACK, and looking ahead to the celebration of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!** Our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown along with dioceses throughout the United States will launch in unity this Eucharistic Revival on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 19, 2022, with a 7:00 p.m. Outdoor **MASS** at the Shrine of our Lady of the Alleghenies, Loretto, Pa, celebrated by Bishop Mark and Concelebrating Priests at 7:00 p.m. (Weather permitting). Also included in this day will be **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** in the Basilica of St. Michael, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and the **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** both indoors and outside also from 3:00 - 6:30 p.m. At the close of Mass, a **EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION** will take place from the outside Altar and around the Shrine area. Concelebrating Priests, Deacons, the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Daughters, the Legion of Mary, and this year's **First Communicants** as well as anyone who is able, are invited to join in the procession.

**QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS:** On this window, in addition to the heart bearing the seven wounds (sorrows) of Mary, you will find an image of a beautiful rose. "**Mystical Rose**" is a poetic title of Mary and is found in the Litany of Loreto, which includes multiple and diverse titles honoring our Blessed Virgin.

**PARISH PICNIC NEWS:** Thank you St. Rose Parish Family for our awesome picnic that we all enjoyed on Sunday. Thank you to all the helpers who made this picnic a success!!!

**LOST & FOUND:** A pair of earrings were found in the Maria Parish Center after the picnic on Sunday. Please contact the rectory at 814-944-8509 for more information.

**FUNDRAISER FOR JEFF BEHE:** As many of you might remember, Jeff was our maintenance man here at St. Rose School and Parish for 19 years. Presently, he is experiencing some major health issues, and financial expenses. Jeff was such a big part of our Saint Rose Family that we think it would be wonderful if we could all help him and his family in any way possible. We have placed a container with Jeff's picture at the rear of the church for contributions. Also, please make sure to keep Jeff and his family in your prayers.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sun. May 29 - Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**Wed. June 1 - 5:15-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary**



**Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day**

**9:00 a.m.**  
†Ben DeBernardis (*Mike & Cindy Sharbaugh*)

**Tuesday, May 31 - Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**8:30 a.m.**  
†Col. Charles Nowark (*Family*)

**Wednesday, June 1 - Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**

**8:30 a.m.**  
†Carl Harker (*Family*)

**Thursday, June 2 - Memorial of Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**

**8:30 a.m.**  
†Mary Jean Stein (*Shedlock Family*)

**Friday, June 3 - Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**

**8:30 a.m.**  
†Byron Lovell (*Patrick & Patricia Labriola*)

**Saturday, June 4 - Vigil of Pentecost**

**4:00 p.m.**  
†Dorothy Eichenlaub (*Family*)

**Sunday, June 5 - Pentecost**

**8:00 a.m. Mass For the People**  
**10:30 a.m.**  
†Julia Longo (*Bill Longo*)

**CANDLES:**

For *Kathleen Trout* requested by *Susan Trout*

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING**  
**May 22, 2022**

Regular	\$4,550.00	Loose	\$286.00
Children's	\$29.00	Parish Life	\$10.00
Christmas Club	\$0.00	Ascension	\$40.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$100.00	Catholic Communications	\$5.00
		Total	\$5,020.00

**2022 Catholic Ministries Drive**

January 1st, 2022 to April 30th, 2022

Goal \$42,716

Gifts/Pledges \$14,617

**Renew! Repair! Rejoice!**

Payments/Donations \$15,172

Pledge Payments committed but not received \$21,053

Total Payments/Pledges/Donations \$ 36,225

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** On the Feast of the Ascension, we celebrate Christ's triumphant return to the Father after perfectly accomplishing His mission on earth. We can also view this Feast as a celebration of the "launch day" of our commissioning as Christ's disciples. Embracing a stewardship way of life with its emphasis on the use of time, talent, and treasure, helps us to live in such a way that our lives speak as a witness of the Good News of the Gospel. While we take the necessary time to reflect and renew our commitments in these three areas as a parish, it is of great benefit to take some time individually throughout the year to take stock of the commitments we have made within our strengths, and in areas that are in need of improvement and growth. On this Feast of "our launch day," take some time to celebrate your victories as Christ's disciples and renew your commitment to remain faithful to Him and the unique mission He has entrusted to you! (*Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/05/03*)



*Religious Education News*

**2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION K THROUGH 11**

We are now accepting Registration Forms for next year. Forms can be found in the back of the church. Please complete the form - front and back - and return it with your check payable to Saint Rose of Lima. You can drop the form in the collection basket or return it to the rectory.



**Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"**

Orthodox Church leaders from Albania, Georgia, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Italy and Malta came to pray at the Holy House of Loreto, Italy, with a papal delegation. The event took place on March 5, 2016, and marks the official recognition by the Orthodox of the oldest Marian relic: the home of Mary in Nazareth, brought to Italy by the Crusaders in the 13th century.

It is now widely accepted that the House of the Virgin Mary in Nazareth, where the birth of Christ was announced, was transferred to Loreto in 1294.

On September 2, 2007, Pope Benedict XVI invited all Christians to enter the spirit of that house, during the Angelus on the esplanade of Montorso in Loreto, in the presence of some 500,000 youth: "At the most important moments of your lives come here, at least in your hearts, in spiritual recollection within the walls of the Holy House. Pray to the Virgin Mary that she may obtain for you the light and strength of the Holy Spirit, so that you may respond fully and generously to the voice of God. You will then become his true witnesses ... bearers of a Gospel which is not abstract but incarnate in your lives."

**FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CELEBRATION:** Please join us for a celebration honoring the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua on Tuesday, June 13th at St. Bernardine Monastery, Hollidaysburg. The event will include an outdoor Mass, Blessing of St. Anthony's Bread, and Blessing with First Class Relic of St. Anthony. Mass will begin at 10:00 AM, followed by bread distribution. The celebration will be rain or shine as it will be under a tent and please bring a chair!

**FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL:** In today's gospel Jesus speaks of unity, not uniformity. With uniformity everything is the same. Unity requires recognition and reconciliation of differences. How do you reconcile differences in your home? Do you listen respectfully or do you try to manipulate or impose your opinion? The seeds of unity and division are in every family. What we sow, we reap. What is your family harvest?  
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**May Prayer Intention of Pope Francis**

*For faith-filled young people*

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



**Readings for the Week of May 29, 2022**

**Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7,8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

**Monday** Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

**Wednesday Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday Memorial of Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 & 7; Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday Pentecost Sunday**

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23

**St. Rose of Lima Prayer List**

It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the sick. If you know of someone in the parish who is ill or has passed away and in need of prayers, please call the office (814-944-8509) or email Becky Reed at [breed@dioceseaj.org](mailto:breed@dioceseaj.org) to add their name to the prayer list.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered. Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:

- Erma Anthony • Jeff Behe • Matilda Capouellez
- Farr Family • Frank and Rosemarie Fochler
- Garman Family • Housum Family
- Kelly Mullegan Kline • Carmie Maniglia
- Rose Nasralla • Joe and Carole Reilly
- Tab and Julia Scarfone • Bernice Shoenfelt
- Mona Streilein • Carole Zonfrilli

*Please respect the person's right to privacy and secure permission before placing a name on the Prayer List.*

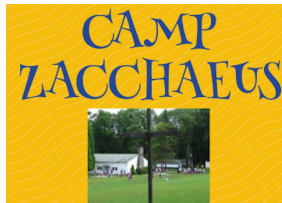
When a person recovers, please call the office and have their name removed from the list.



June 19-23, 2022  
Camp Sequanota  
Jennerstown, PA  
For youth entering  
grades 10-12 and  
newly-graduated seniors.

You can find the registration information brochure on the homepage of the diocesan website ([www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org))

If you would like more information or to discuss your child's participation, please feel free to contact Francine Swope at (814)317-2646.



July 17-22, 2022  
Camp Sequanota  
Jennerstown, PA  
For youth entering  
grades 4-9.  
in the Fall of 2022.

You can find the registration information brochure on the homepage of the diocesan website ([www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org))

If you would like more information or to discuss your child's participation, please feel free to contact Francine Swope at (814)317-2646.

**WELGE SCHOLARSHIP:** Students registered at Blair County Parishes who will be college juniors or seniors this fall may apply to receive one of four \$500 grants from the Adelaide Welge Scholarship Endowment. Please visit the "Grants & Scholarships" page of the Independent Catholic Foundation website ([www.icfoundation.us](http://www.icfoundation.us)) to download an application, which should be returned to the Foundation no later than 4:00 PM, Wednesday, June 8. Award recipients will be notified in July and announced on the Foundation's Facebook page.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEXT WEEK**

**Monday, May 30 9:00 AM**

Helen Mirenda *Lector*  
NOT FILLED *Lector*

NOT FILLED *Eucharistic Minister*

**Saturday, June 4 4:00 PM**

Joseph Maschue *Lector*  
David Stein *Lector*

Bernice Shoenfelt *Eucharistic Minister*

**Sunday, June 5 8:00 AM**

Mary Masic *Lector*  
Shawn Wesner *Lector*

Cindy Sharbaugh *Eucharistic Minister*

**Sunday, June 5 10:30 AM**

William Gburek *Lector*  
Deborah Kawtoski *Lector*

Barbara Gentile *Eucharistic Minister*

**St. Rose of Lima's St. Vincent de Paul Conference  
Weekly Reflection for May 29: Ascension**

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

**When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor.**

If you know of someone in need, please visit our website (<http://strosesvdp.org>) to inform us of their situation. We will do our best to help out in any way we can. We encourage all parishioners to use our website to help us help those in need. Thank you!



**ALTAR SERVERS**

St. Rose would like to invite all young boys and girls who would like to assist our Priest and Deacon at the Altar to call the Rector and Deacon Jim will get back to you with a time to be trained.

The only requirement is that you have received first Holy Communion and are in third grade or older and have parents' permission. We look forward to hearing from you.

**PENTECOST PRAISE PARTY:** The Holy Spirit Fire Family of St. Al's in Cresson and Franciscan Friars of Loretto are inviting you to celebrate with them, a **Pentecost Praise Party** for the **Vigil of Pentecost at 141 St Francis Dr, Loretto, PA 15940**, Saturday, June 4th at 7pm with Praise and Worship, the Vigil Mass, Healing prayer and snacks. Come join our thanksgiving praise of God for His loving blessings and bring a friend.

**BASKET PARTY**

St. John Vianney Church Hall

Mundy's Corner

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Doors open at Noon

Drawings held at 2:00 P.M.

Admission \$10.00 Extra tickets \$5.00  
(includes 26 basket chances and luncheon)