

SAINT ROSE CHURCH

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For the Week of Sunday, July 19, 2020

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

CONFESSIONS: Confessions will be heard each Saturday in the Parish Center from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: July 10th - July 17th - \$3,494.00.

ST. ROSE LEGACY FUND: Donations from July 10th - July 17th were \$125.00. Total \$176,120.03.

ANNUAL FUND DRIVE/PICNIC FUND: July 1 - December 31st. Donations from July 10th - July 17th were \$1,500.00. Total \$4,125.00.

PASTOR'S CORNER: Over the last few weeks since the lifting of the lockdown on churches, we've had four infants baptized, three children make their First Holy Communion, and two couples celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. Next Sunday we will be confirming several young people. We have two people in the RCIA who will soon be received into the church. Plus, we have administered the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to a number of seriously ill people and continued to hear confessions even during the lockdown. I feel a bit as if we are having Spring in July. All of these celebrations are like the first flowers blooming in the Spring, signs to us that the worst of the Winter is over and a new season is just on the horizon. No, things are not 'back to normal.' Masks and social distancing and hand sanitizer will probably be a part of our church routine for a while still. But these are mere nuisances compared with the fact that virus or no virus, our desire for the grace of God which comes to us through the Sacraments will not be stifled; and God's desire to provide us with that grace does not grow cold. So, the celebration of these Sacraments fills me with hope. Not that we will soon be free of the virus - I don't think that's the case. But hope that with God and His grace accompanying us, we will be led through this disaster, just as God has led His people through many other calamities and trials before ours. Our world is constantly changing. But the one stable 'norm' we can count on is God's love for us poured out on us by the Spirit. That is the 'new normal' because it was always the 'old normal.' With the eyes of faith, we will be able to see those signs of hope.

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation will be celebrated in our Parish next Sunday, July 26th during the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please note this Mass will have a higher attendance due to having thirteen candidates plus their sponsor and families.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: Do you like to work with children and youth? Are you seeking a part-time job that will enrich your life? The Archdiocese of Louisville is seeking substitute teachers for its preschool through grade 12 elementary and secondary schools, located in seven counties of the Archdiocese (Hardin, Jefferson, Marion, Nelson, Oldham, Shelby, and Washington counties). While it is not necessary for substitute teachers to have a teaching certificate, candidates should have at least 60 hours of college credit and must submit a resume, college transcript, and two letters of reference. Applicants also must submit proof of attendance at an archdiocesan safe environment training or attend a training before being hired. Training and ongoing formation will be provided to archdiocesan substitute teachers. To apply, go to www.archlou.org/ocs-employment. For questions about subbing in a Catholic school, please email or call Lori Weiter, lweiter@archlou.org or 502-585-3291.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Sabrina Morgeson, John Reynolds, Jerry Taylor, Joe Taylor, Mary Gootee Chesser, Mary Alice Hutchins, Albert Wimsatt, Fred Lanham, Mary Devine, Tom Miller, Linda Blanford, Louise Lanham, Mary Helen Smith, Rob Smith, Jeremy Clark, Jean'na Lewis-Smith, Jeannie Hatchett, Cliff Greer, Rudell Whitehouse, Jane Rudd Volz, Shannon Cox, Jerry Craig, Thomas Herbert Smith, Ann Ciecislac, Bobby Spalding, Corbin Noel, Jenna Taylor Wheat, Clifford Greer Sr., Charlie Stewart, Susan Smith, Margaret Faye Martin, Larry Smith, Jim & Elaine Cecil, Geraldine Spalding, Johnny Osborne, Jerry Hamilton, Billy Mattingly, Morgan Mattingly, Hazel Brady, Anne Simms, Mary R. Downs, Angela Robinson, Jim Logsdon, Theresa Wheatley, Margie Smith, Rex Curtsinger, and Judy Mitchel. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE SOMEONE FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

ACT JUSTLY: Reverence and respect are virtues that make a good society possible. *Robert Morneau*

MARRIAGAE MOMENTS: July 19: An elderly man had just lost his wife, when a 4-year-old neighbor child saw him crying. The little boy went to the man's yard, climbed on his lap, and just sat there. When the boy's mother asked him what he'd said to the neighbor, the boy answered, "Nothing, I just helped him cry." When was the last time one of you cried? (Leo Buscaglia)

PARENTING POINTERS: July 19: : "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed." (Mt. 13: 31) That's a pretty strange statement on face value. No wonder the disciples had trouble understanding it. Your kids probably have a notion of what heaven is like. Ask them to describe heaven in their own words - not the bible's.