

# SAINT ROSE CHURCH

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For the Week of Sunday, December 13, 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.

MASS ON WEDNESDAY'S WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 5:30 P.M.

**MASS INTENTIONS: December 14<sup>th</sup> - December 20<sup>th</sup>**

Mon.	8:30 AM	Nancy Smith	Sat.	4:00 PM	Teresa Mattingly
Tues.	8:30 AM	Dot Smith	Sun.	8:00 AM	Joyce Ann Norris
Wed.	5:30 PM	Richard Lee "Dickie" Mudd & Family		11:00 AM	Bob Mulligan
Thurs.	8:30 AM	Linda Smart		7:00 PM	NO MASS
Fri.	8:30 AM	Ed & Teresa Mattingly			
Sat.	8:30 AM	Norma Medley			

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** November 29<sup>th</sup> - December 11<sup>th</sup> was \$4,610.00.

**ST. ROSE LEGACY FUND:** Donations from Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> - Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> were \$100.00. Total \$188,782.03.

**ANNUAL FUND DRIVE/PICNIC FUND:** July 1 - December 31<sup>st</sup>. Donations from November 29<sup>th</sup> - December 11<sup>th</sup> were \$0.00. Total \$14,485.00.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. ROSE

CHRISTMAS EVE - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>  
2:00 P.M., 4:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>  
8:00 A.M. AND 10:00 A.M.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR HOLY ROSARY, SPRINGFIELD

CHRISTMAS EVE - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>  
5:00 P.M. AND MIDNIGHT ( 12:00 )

CHRISTMAS DAY - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>  
11:00 A.M.

**PASTOR'S CORNER:** 1) **Gaudete Sunday** - This Sunday is referred in the tradition as 'Gaudete' Sunday, the Latin word 'gaudete' (part of the Entrance Antiphon for Mass) being a plural command, which might best be rendered in Kentuckian as "Be joyful, y'all!" Joy is one of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit - it is produced in us by the stable presence of the Holy Spirit in our souls. It is certainly a gift when we can experience that joy in the midst of family celebrations and the warmth of the Christmas season. But joy is something that the Spirit can produce in us even in the midst of the greatest trials. We might think of the three young men in the fiery furnace described for us in the Book of Daniel. Even as they were being burned alive for their faith, they were singing and praising God in loud voices. Many stories of the martyrs include accounts from eyewitnesses who testified that these Christians went to their deaths with joy on their faces. Joy comes from hope, and our hope is rooted in Christ Jesus. And Advent is above all a season of hope - a firm conviction that God's Kingdom has arrived and that its light will overtake all the darkness we find in this world. We really have no other reason for hope. Just look at the newspaper headlines year after year. And this year in particular! But even in our own fiery furnaces, we can still be joyful, because the Holy Spirit dwells in our soul and we know we are a part of that Kingdom over which Jesus is Lord. 2) **Blessing of Children in the Womb** - Next Sunday, December 20, we will be offering the Rite of Blessing of a Child in the Womb, composed by our own Archbishop Kurtz. Advent reminds us of those nine months the Blessed Mother had Jesus in her womb, expecting not just a baby boy, but the Savior of the world. It's a fitting time for us to bless our expectant mothers and their children in the womb. So at the end of each Mass next weekend, before the final blessing, I will invite any pregnant women (and their spouses) present to come forward to receive this special blessing of the Church. 3) **Holy Hour** - We will be having our final Advent Holy Hour this Thursday at 6:30 pm. We will be hearing confessions throughout the hour. Come watch and pray with us.

**PENANCE SERVICE:** St. Dominic's Church will be having an Advent Penance Service this Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Fr. Farrell will be joined by Fr. Pepper, and two Dominicans Fr. Kevin and Fr. Edmund so there will be plenty of us to hear your confessions.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** The Knights of Columbus are hosting a blood drive at the KC Hall, this Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 5:00 pm. The need is especially great during the pandemic.

**2021 ENVELOPE BOX SETS:** You should have received your 2021 envelope box set. If you did not receive one or if you would like to get a box please call or stop by the Parish Office. Also, if you have had an address change, please notify the Parish Office.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Bobby Humes, Pat Mackin, Joe Vize, Brenda Hasty, Cathy Higdon Lawson, Joe Lee Spalding, Billy Osbourne, Sue Medley, Pat Kelly, Brynn Bleemel, Bob Parrott, Sabrina Morgeson, 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, Jane Rudd Volz, Shannon Cox, Jerry Craig, Ann Ciecislac, Bobby Spalding, Corbin Noel, Clifford Greer Sr., Charlie Stewart, Susan Smith, Margaret Faye Martin, Larry Smith, Jim & Elaine Cecil, Johnny Osborne, Jerry Hamilton, Billy Mattingly, Morgan Mattingly, Hazel Brady, Anne Simms, Mary R. Downs, Angela Robinson, Theresa Wheatley, Margie Smith, Rex Curtsinger, and Judy Mitchel. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE SOMEONE FROM THE PRAYER LIST.