SAINT ROSE CHURCH

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For the Week of Sunday, March 14, 2021

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: March 15th through March 21st

8:30 AM Earl Fields 4:00 PM Patricia O'Bryan Mon. Sat. Tues. 8:30 AM Marvin & Ernestine Hamilton & Family Sun. 8:00 AM Lillian Abell Kidwell/ Wed. 5:30 PM Parrott Family Living & Deceased David Platt 8:30 AM Preston Luckett 11:00 AM Ivan Matan Thurs. Fri. 8:30 AM James & Pauline O'Daniel 7:00 PM NO MASS Sat. 8:30 AM Joe, Martha, & Joe Harry Vize

LENTEN PROGRAMS:

- WOMEN'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: ... Due to a funeral on Tuesday the Women's Bible Study group will meet on FRIDAY, MARCH 19th at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. We will maintain social distance during the bible study.
- MASS CONFESSIONS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS ... each Wednesday of Lent, with Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by confessions until the stations of the cross begin at 6:30 p.m. Confessions will be heard after the stations of the cross as needed.
- LENTEN HOLY HOUR & CONFESSIONS: ... each Thursday of Lent at 6:30 p.m. with confessions to be heard.
- HOLY ROSARY, SPRINGFIELD STATIONS OF THE CROSS ... each Friday at 5:30 p.m.
- 40 DAYS FOR LIFE/ROSARY AT THE COURTHOUSE: Pray the Rosary each Saturday morning during Lent at 9:30 a.m., through Saturday, March 27th, in front of the Old Courthouse in Springfield. We will be praying the Rosary together for the sake of the unborn. All are welcome to join in this prayer. We are wearing masks and maintaining social distancing.

<u>HOLY ROSARY FISH FRIES:</u> Save the dates! The next three Fridays in Lent, Holy Rosary will be hosting a fish fry at the KC Hall on Bardstown Road. We will have fried fish, homemade potato chips, and cole slaw all for \$10. The dates are March 19 and 26. Drive-through only. From 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Please spread the word!

SUNDAY COLLECTION: March 6th - March 12th was \$9,242.00.

ST. ROSE LEGACY FUND: Donations from March 6th - March 12th were \$400.00. Total \$328,928.36.

<u>PARKVIEW IGA RECEIPTS:</u> for the year 2020 totaled \$80,140.00. We received \$801.40 for the year. Thank you for your support and please continue to place your receipts in one of two boxes in the back of the church.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE 2021 CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: Next weekend, March 20th & 21st, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection support six national and international relief agencies that provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection.

<u>ONLINE GIVING:</u> Just a reminder that you can give to St. Rose online. Just go to https://www.archlou.org/parish-giving/ and select the correct parish, using your credit or debit card.

PASTOR'S CORNER: This Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is traditionally referred to as 'Laetare' Sunday, from the Latin version of today's Entrance Antiphon: Laetare, Jerusalen! "Rejoice, Jerusalem! Be glad for her, all you who rejoice over her; rejoice with her all you who were mourning over her." This passage from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah anticipated the return of the Jewish people to the holy city of Jerusalem, after a long exile. We might be able to better understand this after the events of the past year - we will all rejoice when we can gather together again unencumbered by masks and social distancing and hand sanitizer! But the prophet also looks forward to a time when all of God's people will be gathered together, not in any earthly city, but in the 'heavenly Jerusalem,' the Church

here on earth, and heaven itself in the ages to come. This 'return' is now from the exile of sin and is brought about through the forgiveness of sins. This is certainly a cause for rejoicing! This is why confession is a joyful sacrament. This is why Lent is a joyful season. They are both opportunities for us to turn again to the Lord and to share in the joy of our heavenly Father who goes out to greet us. Perhaps this 'joyful' day of Lent might mean more to us if, as was the case not very long ago, *every day* of Lent was a fast day. But don't let whatever meager penances we observe obscure the joy we should have as we try to draw closer to our loving God.

MEN'S RETREAT DAY: Save the date - St. Rose will be having a special day of retreat for men during this Year of St. Joseph. The Retreat Day will be on Saturday, March 27th from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. We will see the many ways St. Joseph can be a model for men in their lives as husbands, fathers, and family men. More details to follow.

HOUSE OF HOPE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE: If you picked up a baby bottle in the back of the church please turn it in on or before Monday, April 5th. Bottle may be placed in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office. Thank you for help and support to local families in need.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Please pray for our religious education students especially those who will be receiving sacraments this year. Eight students will be receiving the sacrament of First Penance on Wednesday, March 24th. These same eight students will receive the sacrament of First Eucharist

on Sunday, April 25th along with nine students will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 29th.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Donald Peterson, Clifford Greer Sr., Margaret Ann Lanham, JT Osbourne, Isabell Foster, Mary Beth Spalding, Roy Smith, Mary Margie Smith, Bob Witt, Corbin Noel, and Bill Smith. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE SOMEONE FROM THE SICK LIST.