

Mass Intentions for the Week



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

8:00 AM	✠	Frederick Allard
10:30 AM	✠	Marcel A. Bouley (5 th Anniv.)
	✠	Marie Philips
5:00 PM	✠	Deceased Members of the DeVecchio Family



Monday of Holy Week

7:00 AM		Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement
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Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM	✠	Florence Daylor
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Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM	✠	John Rotondo
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Holy Thursday



7:00 PM		Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:00 PM – 12 Midnight		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Good Friday of the Lord's Passion



3:00 PM		Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM		Liturgy of the Lord's Passion



Easter Vigil

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM		Confessions
7:00 PM		Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement



Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 AM		Special Intention
10:30 AM		Special Intention



Dear Parishioners,

Today we enter the holiest week in the Church's year. Catholics throughout the world are encouraged to stop and reflect on the events that brought us salvation. Jesus gave so much—his very life—that we might have life to the full. None of us deserve it. None of us have earned it. It is a gift: "God so loved the world that he sent His only Son, so that all who believe in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." (John 3:16) How can we not stop, pray and thank God for saving us in Jesus?!

Here at SS. Rose & Clement, we will solemnly commemorate each event. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass at 7:00 AM and watch the gathering storm approach. The triumph of Palm Sunday quickly turns to darkness as evil gains the upper hand.

On Holy Thursday, we gather at 7:00 PM (there is no morning Mass) to commemorate the institution of the Priesthood and the Eucharist. Jesus, knowing he was to be crucified, ordains his first priests, washes their feet as an example of what they are to do for others and gives to them, and through them to us, the greatest gift on earth—his body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. Twelve men from our parish, representing the twelve apostles, will have their feet washed during Mass. Following Holy Communion, we will process through the Church with the Eucharist and keep a vigil of prayer until midnight. All are encouraged "to spend one hour" with the Lord.

On Good Friday, Holy Mass is not celebrated. Instead we gather at 3:00 PM to pray the Stations of the Cross at the moment Christ died and at 7:00 PM to read the Passion from John's Gospel, pray for the needs of the world, venerate the cross and receive Holy Communion.

On Holy Saturday, all the world is in silence. The savior is dead—will he rise again, as he said? We gather at 7:00 PM to celebrate the answer to that question—Yes, Jesus Christ is risen! During the glorious Easter Vigil we will sing and celebrate with boundless joy. And in the midst of our joy, we will welcome one new member into our faith through baptism, receive three others through their Profession of Faith and confirm nine! On Easter Sunday we will celebrate Mass at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM. There is NO 5:00 PM Mass.

I hope you can join us for some or all of these beautiful, powerful liturgies. You will be changed by the immeasurable graces given during these holiest of days. May you have a blessed Holy Week.

Fr. Wilson

Saturday Vigil Mass Change

Our Saturday Vigil Mass will change from **4:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, April 18th**. Please make a note of this coming change.

PS Just a quick reminder that Fr. Marciano will celebrate the 8:00 AM Mass and concelebrate the 10:30 AM Mass on Easter Sunday. I look forward to welcoming home our former pastor on this most joyous feast!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes **will not meet** on April 12th and April 13th due to Easter and school vacation.

ALL CLASSES resume on Sunday, April 19th and Monday, April 20th.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: Please be prompt for your Confirmation Interview on April 6th. All interviews will take place in the parish office conference room. Thank you.

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL:

First Communion rehearsals are scheduled for April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM in the church. **ALL FIRST COMMUNICANTS MUST ATTEND ALL THREE REHEARSALS.**

HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday – April 9, 2009

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

8:00 pm – 12 Midnight

Good Friday – April 10, 2009

Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00 pm

Holy Saturday – April 11, 2009

Confessions: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Easter Vigil

7:00 pm

Easter Sunday – April 12, 2009

Masses: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

2010 MASS BOOK

The Mass Book for 2010 will open on **Monday, April 13th at 9:00 AM.** Only 2 weekend Masses and 3 weekday Masses may be booked for the first month to allow everyone an opportunity to remember loved ones. Thank you for understanding!!

From the Desk of Mrs. Fuller

Food Drive

Each year the students of St. Rose of Lima School hold a food drive during Lent to stock the shelves at Saint Rita's Food Pantry. I am happy to report that the school collected 3,038 canned goods. The two classes with the most cans collected were Grade 6 with 902 canned goods and Kindergarten with 537 canned goods. Congratulations and thank you to everyone for your generosity!!

Living Stations

Each year we are able to witness the sacrifice that Jesus made for us on the cross. The seventh and eighth grade students perform a "Living Stations" with devotion and love. This is such a moving experience and our students gain a deeper understanding of Jesus' love for us. I would like to thank Father Wilson, Miss Barbato, Mrs. Berube, Miss Warburton and the students and parents of Saint Rose for making this blessed event possible.

Vacation

School vacation begins April 10th. May your vacation be safe and restful.

ANNUAL PARISH FOOD DRIVE

****NEW RECORD REACHED****

Our Parish food drive held last weekend to support the West Bay Marketplace was a tremendous success. We collected an astonishing 5,200 pounds of food (surpassing our record of last year of 4,800 pounds of food). West Bay was overwhelmed by our generosity, especially in these difficult economic times. I would like to extend a word of thanks to Tony DiSaia, the Boy Scouts of Troop 7 Buttonwoods, the Men of St. Joseph, Thrifty Car Rental (for providing a van free of charge) and to you, our parishioners, for helping the less fortunate among us. May God bless you all!!

CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL



Parish Goal: \$89,000

Collected (to date): \$89,810

Last weekend, we reached our Catholic Charity Appeal Goal! Thank you for your amazing support of the poor and struggling of our diocese. May God bless you richly for your kindness and sacrifice!!

APRIL 5, 2009

“SHARE THE SPIRIT” GIFT SHOP

Holy Week Hours

Tuesday 4/7 - 9:00 AM to 12 Noon
Wednesday 4/8 - 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Thursday 4/9 - 9:00 AM to 12 Noon
Good Friday - CLOSED
Holy Saturday - 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
EASTER SUNDAY - CLOSED

A beautiful selection of Easter Cards is available.



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Sunday Collection.....\$8,693.50
Rice Bowl Collection.....9,902.43

A sincere thank you for your support.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY SEMINAR

Our Theology of the Body class will not meet for the next two weeks in observance of Holy Week and school vacation. Our next class (Session Six) will be held on Thursday, April 23rd at 7:00 PM. Please remember to bring your workbooks and a pen. Thank you!!

EIGHT MONTH CLUB

Week #31 \$50 Winner

Mr. & Mrs. Scott Lepizzera - Ticket #32

Thank you to all who support Saint Rose School.

YOUR WILL

***Please remember SS. Rose & Clement Parish
in your Will and Estate.***