

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Feast) December 26, 2021

## SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

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**Thank you** to those that have donated towards  
the **Christmas Flowers** in Memory/Honor of  
loved ones.

PEACE ON  
EARTH

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New Year's Day Mass schedule is:  
Saturday January 1, 9:00 am

### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

**New Parishioners** are invited to contact the St. Rose Rectory at 507-523-2428 or [strose@hbc.com](mailto:strose@hbc.com).

**BAPTISM:** Baptisms are regularly celebrated during Sunday Masses. Parents are asked to meet with Fr. Thompson before the baptism of their first child. Please call the St. Rose Rectory to set the date of the baptism.

**RECONCILIATION:** Confessions are offered every Wednesday from 5:30 – 6:00, the first Saturday of the month following 8:30 am Mass, or anytime by appointment with Fr. Thompson.

**MARRIAGE:** Preparation must begin at least six months in advance. Please contact Fr. Thompson to begin the preparation process. An Engaged Encounter retreat is also required.

**RCIA:** Those wanting to learn more about our faith or are interested in becoming full members in the Catholic Church please contact the Office.

**Prayer Chain** - Call Rosie Moger 523-3357 with prayer requests or to join the prayer chain.

Date	Readings	Mass Time	Mass Intention
<b>Sunday, December 26</b> The Holy Family of Jesus	1 Samuel 1:20-22, 21-28 John 3:1-2,21-24 Luke 2:41-52	8:30 am	Parishioners of St Rose of Lima
<b>Monday, December 27</b>	1 John 1:1-4 John 20:1a,2-8		No Mass
<b>Tuesday, December 28</b>	1 John 1:5-2:2 Matthew 2:13-18		No Mass
<b>Wednesday, December 29</b>	1 John 2:3-11 Luke 2:22-36		No Mass  No Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Thursday, December 30</b>	1 John 2:12-17 Luke 2:36-40	8:30 am	Leo Rowekamp +
<b>Friday, December 31</b>	1 John 2:18-21 John 1:1-18	8:30am	Sr Peggy Glynn +
<b>Saturday, January 1</b> Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God	Number 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21	9:00am	Parishioners of St Rose of Lima
<b>Sunday, January 2</b> The Epiphany of the Lord	Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12	8:30 am	Pat Brown +

## Liturgical Ministry – January 2, 2022

Servers	Ushers	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers
Leah Kurth	Patrick Kalmes	Ben Kuhn	Mark Ernster
Marabelle Kurth	Phil Thesing		Ben Kuhn
Shawn Kurth	Greg Bronk		Suzanne Pilger
Nevaeh Mitchell	J.R. Caldwell		

## Sacrificial Giving December 19, 2021 - \$2733.00

Congratulations on a successful 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal! To date, we have had 76 donors that not only met our goal of \$11,516, but we went an additional \$10,000 over goal!

These additional funds will be placed in reserve until we are able to move forward with renovating the Parish Hall kitchen. The Catholic Ministries Appeal makes it possible for the Diocese to extend pastoral ministry throughout southern Minnesota--beyond what parishes are capable of accomplishing on their own.

A parish **FORMED** subscription, created and powered by the Augustine Institute, includes 24/7 access to FORMED digital content for *all* people within your parish and the diocese, including:

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All you have to do to **sign up** is: 1) go to FORMED.org/signup 2) Enter your parish zip code (55952) or name to select your parish, and 3) enter your name and email. FORMED.org is already enhancing the faith of over 3,000 users in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester!

### **New Giving Options Now Available.**

1. Online Giving: Go to the following site:

[giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/strose](http://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/strose)

There you will be asked to choose which parish and what fund you would like to give to (currently the fund choices are Adult Support, Christmas Offering, and Charity Fund).

2. Text: Simply text the word "give" to 507-578-5629. You will get a link sent back to you to make your donation. It's that simple!

Fr. Tom Melvin recently announced that he will be transferred to St. Joachim's in Plainview on February 21, meaning that the last regularly scheduled Mass at Immaculate Conception will be February 19. For those looking for a Saturday evening Mass, please keep in mind that Holy Trinity in Rollingstone has a Mass at 4:30pm on Saturdays.

**From usccb.org:** "Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter itself. It is the feast of the incarnation, the feast of God becoming flesh (the Latin "in carne" means "enfleshment"). It is a uniquely Christian teaching, the Divine choosing to become one of us. Because of this belief, God is not only Transcendent, but also

wholly Immanent, Emmanuel (God-with-us). While remaining Transcendent (meaning we must rise above our present condition to reach Him), He is at the same time Immanent (meaning He is with us as we rise toward Him). Every Eucharist is like Christmas where the bread and wine are transformed into His flesh, His Body and Blood, and, in a sense, He is born anew on the altar.

"The liturgical season of Christmas begins with the vigil Masses on Christmas Eve and concludes on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. During this season, we celebrate the birth of Christ into our world and into our hearts and reflect on the gift of salvation that is born with him, including the fact that he was born to die for us.

"The Christmas tree and the Nativity scene are popular symbols of the season and a tradition in many Christian homes. It is also traditional to exchange Christmas gifts with family and friends to honor God the Father's gift of his only son to the world. Having received the gift of Christ, we naturally want to pass that gift along to our loved ones."

Go to <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/christmas> for more information and various blessings for the Christmas season.

LORD  
Bless us all  
in the coming year

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**Liturgical Ministry – January 1, 2022**

<b>Servers</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>
Alyssa Hansen	Tim Hennessy	Rick Speltz	Kelly Dahl
Jayden Hansen	Cory Schmitz		Shelly Depestel
Kaylee Hanson	Ken Peterson		Dean Depestel
Emily Burt	Karin Peterson		

**From the Pastor-The Most Wonderful Time of the Year!**

This Christmas staple by Andy Williams may already be ringing in your ears. I have lost count of how many times I have heard it this December alone! Yet, there is something about it that doesn't get old. This is, most certainly, a wonderful time of the year. Sometimes we have to remind ourselves of that fact. Our lives can be hectic, difficult, and filled with so many obligations. Despite that reality, our lives can be wonderful because the birth of Jesus calls us out of darkness into his wonderful light.

In the opening prayer of the Christmas Vigil Mass, we pray "O God, who gladden us year by year as we wait in hope for our redemption." May the birth of Jesus truly gladden your hearts! May his arrival bless your homes and may the Incarnation, God taking on our humanity, restore your sense of dignity and purpose. Jesus came to be one of us so that we can be one with him. That not only makes this time of the year wonderful, but it makes the entirety of our lives wonderful through the birth of our redemption.

Merry Christmas!  
Fr. Will Thompson



Gather our families  
around your table  
O, LORD

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