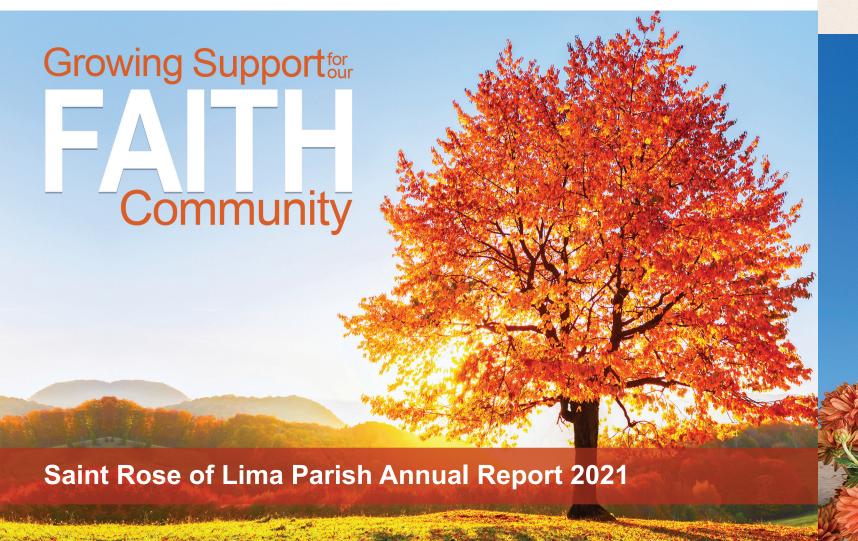
#### **Saint Rose of Lima Parish**

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#### **Dear Parishioners,**

The safety and health of every member of our parish have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the pandemic. Many of you, I know, have endured great pain and personal loss, not to mention the numerous concerns that have developed as the pandemic has imposed an ongoing struggle with fear and isolation in many people's lives. Still today, there is the ongoing uncertainty of what is next.

I hope you have been comforted by our local and diocesan outreach through streaming Masses and phone calls. There were also special collections to support mission work at home and around the world, food drives to help the hungry and volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our churches to protect our at-risk parishioners. These are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, Saint Rose of Lima has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish community. The good news in all of this is that the harvest has been bountiful! In fact, the support provided by you, the faithful, has been good.

As excited as I am about the impact of our outreach, I also realize that a tidal wave of need is still on the horizon. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean the most vulnerable among us will need us now more than ever. Our missions and ministries cannot continue to meet that need without your help.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have given to our parish. Remember, your contributions keep this parish vibrant and impactful. Please remember your parish this year, and prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship so we can continue God's work.

Yours in Christ, Father William G. Berkey

## Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing

- Altar Servers Assist the priest in preparing for Mass. The servers take part in the liturgy by performing tasks to help the priest celebrate Eucharist. Children who received their First Holy Communion can be altar servers.
- Music Ministry "A place where creativity and flexibility flourish in a rich environment of diverse music and everyone is welcome to participate!" Come, join our music teamand "Let your Light Shine!" There is adult choir (ages 14-90-plus) and cantors; a children's choir and instrumentalists.
- Servants of Divine Mercy The Servants of Divine Mercy Ministry represent six parishes in the Diocese of Greens burg and welcome the opportunity to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the bedside of the sick and dying.
- Lectors Proclaim the word of God during Mass or other liturgical functions. Lectors devote time to preparation and understanding of sacred Scripture.

- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Assist the priest by distributing the Eucharist at Mass and to the sick and homebound of the parish.
- Ministry of Care Following the example of Jesus who provided care and healing prayer to all in need, today's t rained lay ministers of care participate in keeping those unable to attend church services spiritually connected with their parish family. In tending to those at home, in nursing facilities or in the hospital, ministers of care share with them the word of God in Scripture, pray with them, and offer them companionship, support, hope and love. Occasional phone contacts and greeting cards assure the recipients that they are continually remembered, thought of and prayed for. Special remembrances are offered at holidays and significant life experiences.

## **Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE **PASTORAL INSTALLATION OF** FR. BILL AT OUR **PARTNER PARISHES NEXT WEEK:** ST. ROSE **TUESDAY AUGUST 17** 6:00 PM God bless you. fr Bill ST. JOHN THÚRSDAY **AUGUST 19** 6:00 PM. RECEPTIONS **FOLLOWING BOTH MASSES** 

Your contributions to our parish help maintain the facility, making it the center of prayer in our community. Over the last three years, we have completed a

new heating control panel at Saint Rose Parish and other odds and ends on the grounds of the parish to keep up the overall appearance and general maintenance.

<b>Parish Financials</b>	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Offertory	\$ 220,399	\$ 225,492	\$ 254,474
Other Ordinary Income (monthly collections, votive candles)	5,741	7,168	7,567
Extraordinary Income (bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)	20,714	32,745	445,388
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	12,263	4,839	4,490
Other Non-Assessable Income (The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)	107,997	212,319	74,919
Special Collections	6,704	10,840	9,308
Total Income	\$ 373,818	\$ 493,403	\$ 796,146
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 57,702	\$ 56,570	\$ 75,156
Church	63,733	70,677	136,183
Rectory	16,098	7,533	8,558
Education and Ministry	52,469	87,688	75,366
General Expenses	161,345	193,131	191,200
Special Collections	6,733	10,816	9,816
Extraordinary Expenses	24,199	49,922	318,632
Total Expenditures	382,279	476,337	814,911
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (8,461)	\$ 17,066	\$ (18,765)

### **Our Garden**





**Single Member** 

Households

**Registered Households** 

2021: 518 2020: 510 2019: 505

**Baptisms** 2021: 5

2020: 9

2019: 6

# **Weathering COVID-19**









**BY MAIL:** Saint Rose of Lima Parish 4969 Route 982 Latrobe, PA 15650

**Ways You Can Give** 





Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment is like the tilling of the soil, helping us to grow stronger. Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory remained strong, primarily due to the generosity of our parishioners.

As I am sure you can imagine, our parish, and particularly our societies, suffered from the loss of fundraising monies. This year, we were unable to have any fundraisers.



**Tuesday and Thursday** 9:00AM - 4:00PM



**ONLINE:** donate.Dioceseof **Greensburg.org** 



**Weddings** 

2020:

2019:2

**Funerals** 

2020: 25



