

From the desk of  
Fr. Podraza

**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**  
"The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18).

**THANK YOU:** To Dean Kleinschmit who is our new Saint Rose cemetery lawn mowing coordinator. Thank you for your leadership and for your personal stewardship in the Parish.

**THANK YOU:** Saint Rose Basketball tournament fundraiser: \$1,440.36; Saint Rose Sunday Breakfast fundraiser: \$1,783.00. Thank you for supporting Catholic Education in our Parish. Thank you for supporting Catholic education.

**THANK YOU:** Saint Andrew Soup and Pie Sunday results: \$2,050.00 and 310 people were served. Thank you for your generous spirits.

**THANK YOU:** To everyone who helped make the Saint Rose Unity Supper a great, great success Saturday. Thank you to the planning committee, volunteers who set up and decorated the parish hall, the Knights of Columbus members who worked in the kitchen, the students who helped serve people at the tables, the teams who cleaned the parish hall after the event. Thank you to everybody who donated items for the silent action and grand auction. Thank you to everybody who attended the great dinner and table fellowship. Thank you to all of you who made cash donations to help support Catholic Education. We have a great principle, teachers and school staff. All this hard work helps us to keep a living tradition of Catholic Education in our Parish. It is a blessing for your sons and daughters, grandsons and grand-daughters to receive an excellent education and build a solid faith foundation that they carry and embrace all their lives. God bless you and Thank You, Father Tim Podraza.

**THANK YOU:** To Ron Tramp for his years of service as the Cemetery lawn mowing coordinator and leading Communion Services at Saint Rose Church. We will have a special presentation during the Sunday morning Mass at a later date. More information later.

**HELP:** I need someone or a couple to lead Communion Services on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Saint Rose of Lima, Crofton. If you are interested please call Father Tim Podraza 402-388-4814.

**FISH FRIES LENT 2017:** Friday, March 24, 2017 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Saint Andrew's, Bloomfield from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Friday, March 31, 2017 Saint Rose, Crofton from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. No fishing pole or fishing license required!!!

**HOME and FOREIGN MISSION:** You can still make a donation in February. Saint Andrew: \$442.40 Saint Rose: \$357.00. Thank You for generous spirits.

**THE STORY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA:** Many people do not know the story of Fatima. This article will highlight the story of Fatima. "Children being children, the memory of the Angel disappeared. However, the Angel visited them again. Lucia tells us what happened next: What are you doing? The Angel suddenly appeared at their side. Pray! Pray a great deal! The Hearts of Jesus and Mary have designs of mercy for you! Offer unceasingly to the Most High prayers and sacrifices! In later years, Lucia revealed: The words of the Angel were like a light that made us realize who God was, how He loved us and wanted to be loved; the value of sacrifice, to what degree it pleased Him, and how it was rewarded with the conversion of sinners." More next week.

**THE GLORIES OF MARY:** Stories of our Blessed Mother, Mary. (67.) "Towards the year 850, Berengarius, bishop of Verdun in Lorraine, entered a church in which a priest named Bernier was prostrate before the choir, reciting the office of the Blessed Virgin. The bishop stumbled over him, and in his impatience gave him a kick. In the night the most Blessed Virgin appeared to him and said, 'How didst thou dare to kick my servant whilst he was praising me? But now, 'she added, 'because I love thee, I will that thou shouldst pay the penalty.' His leg immediately withered. He lived and died as a saint; and after many years his whole body, with the exception of that leg, was found incorrupt." Amen.

**SAINT ROSE SCHOOL:** Remember: "Looking for a way to make a personal immediate impact in society, invest in Catholic Education now!" More next week. Thank you and support Catholic education in Crofton please.

**SCHOOL WISH LIST:** Each week we will publish school items needed for teachers and students. This week items: Covers for our students Mac Books and teachers' chairs. Please contact Jennifer D. Fiscus, Principal for more information at 402-388-4393. Thank you to Vern and Rose Wuebben for your donation of a VCR/DVD unit for the school.

**DIVINE MERCY:** The Lord tells Saint Faustina: "Know that whatever good you do to any soul, I accept it as if you had done it to me." (Diary, 1768). More next week.

**ST. ROSE - GIFT TO GOD - FEBRUARY 12, 2017**  
*Sunday Giving needed weekly - \$5,070.00*

Sunday	\$ 2,003.12
Plate	\$ 225.25
Children	\$ 39.62
Fuel	\$ 50.00

Legacy fund repaid in full \$25,000 with Unity Supper proceeds.

**PASTOR'S CORNER - Continued**

**Endowments:** "Do you own stock that has appreciated greatly since you purchased it? You may be able to make a gift of the stock to our parish and receive immediate tax benefits as well as current income." Contact Ron Worthington, Estate Planning Officer in the Archdiocese of Omaha, at (402) 557-5650 Ext. 1901, or your broker or accountant today. They will help you determine the best time to make a gift to help our parish. More next week.

**Parish Food Pantry Donations:** Donation for February is boxed/bagged breakfast Cereal or oatmeal Remember that some families live with hunger throughout the year. Donations go to United Methodist food pantry Bloomfield. Thank you for your generosity to all those families in need.

**Pray For:**

"For those in healthcare especially in Hospice who help and minister to the dying."  
"For men, women and families in the R.C.I.A. program preparing to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil."

Thank you for remembering our parish with a provision for a bequest in your will.

**Prayer Opportunities:**

*For the Needy 2017:* "Grant, Lord, that I may gladly share what I have with the needy, humbly ask for what I need from him who has, sincerely admit the evil I have done, calmly bear the evil I suffer, not envy my neighbor for his blessings, and thank you unceasingly whenever you hear my prayer. Amen."

*Tremendous Value Of The Holy Sacrifice Of Mass:* "Through Holy Mass you are preserved from many dangers and misfortunes which would otherwise have befallen you. You shorten your Purgatory by every Mass you attend and fully participate."

**ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY - ST ROSE & ST ANDREW**  
*Eucharistic Adoration (Wednesdays) 9 AM until 10 PM - St. Rose Church*  
**That Man is You—Men's Group meets on Tuesdays at 6 AM, Education Center**  
**St. Rose Bible Study Group meets on Mondays, 7 PM, Education Center**


Feb 20	No School, <u>St. Rose only</u> - President's Day. Public will have school.
Feb 22	<u>SR</u> CCD Class, 7:30 PM, (St. Rose School) <u>SR</u> FFY Class, 7:30 PM ( <b>Correction--there will be FFY Class</b> ) SA Knights of Columbus Meeting, 8:00 PM, (St. Andrew's Church)
Feb 26	<u>SR</u> Knights Breakfast, 8-11 AM, (St. Rose Hall) SA Coffee & Rolls, 9:00 AM, (St. Andrew's Church) --CCD Grades 3 and 4 plan Mass and greet
Feb 28	<u>SR</u> Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:30 PM, (St. Rose Education Center)
Mar 1	<b>Ash Wednesday - Day of Fast &amp; Abstinence - Rice Bowl Collection</b> <u>St. Rose</u> Masses: 8:15 AM and 7:30 PM <u>St. Andrew's</u> Mass: 6 PM <u>SR</u> Choir of Fire sings (7:30 PM Mass) SA Altar Society Meeting after 6:00 PM Mass, (St. Andrew's Church) <i>St. Andrew's and St. Rose Scholarship deadlines</i>
Mar 3	No School - St. Rose and Crofton Public Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM, (St. Rose Church)

**ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS:**  
**Save the Date:**  
March 20 - St. Rose First Grade Roundup, 7 PM, School First Grade Classroom  
March 27 - St. Rose Preschool Roundup, 7 PM, St. Rose Education Center Preschool Classroom.

<b>100 CLUB</b>	<b>100 CLUB WINNERS:</b>
	February 5: \$50 - Dale Merkel
	February 12: \$50 - Card #1051

**Ladies GUILD** Division 6 Serves next funeral, Mary Ann Promes, Chair  
Division 2 Cleans Church in February, Kathy Taylor, Chair

**READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 26, 2017**  
1st Reading: Isaiah 49:14-15 Psalm: 62:2-3, 6-9  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

				<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>	
Tue	Feb 21	8:15 am (SR)	<b>Communion Service</b>	<i>NO 10:45 am Mass at Bloomfield Good Samaritan Center</i>	
Wed	Feb 22	8:15 am (SR)	Walt & Irene Bart Family Wilfred Kuehler Family		
Thu	Feb 23	8:15 am (SR)	<b>Communion Service</b>	<i>NO 8:00 am Mass at St. Andrew's Church</i>	
Fri	Feb 24	8:15 am (SR)	Marvin Lammers		
Sat	Feb 25	5:30 pm (SR)	Lorene Ausdemore		
Sun	Feb 26	8:30 am (SR)	SA/SR Parishioners		
		10:30 am (SA)	Vicki & Tracy Arens Rick & Beverly Maly		
		SA - Saint Andrew's		SR - Saint Rose	

**Liturgical Roles**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 @ 5:30 PM - ST. ROSE**  
SETUP: Curt Steffen  
LECTOR: Bob Suing  
EMHC: Deacon Frank, Jim & Mary Ann W., Nancy S., Marilyn T. and Emily Haberer-Shut-ins  
SERVERS: Zac & Ryan Poppe, Hope Steffen, Rori Schmidt  
USHERS: James Murphy, Alan & Travis Poppe, John Schieffer  
GIFTS: Randy & Nancy Steffen

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 @ 8:30 AM - ST. ROSE**  
SETUP: John Van Heek  
LECTOR: Maxine Steffen  
SERVERS: William Poppe, Jack Drotzmann, Ellie & Brittany Tramp  
USHERS: Doyle & Jeremy Stevens, Craig Marsh, Larry Taylor  
EMHC: Deacon, Dick W., Deb K., Ed K., Barb L., and Rosanne Hoebelheinrich-Shut-ins  
GIFTS: Paul & Brenda Maibaum  
MONEY: Dan Arens, Judy Peitz

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 @ 10:30 AM - ST. ANDREW**  
LECTOR: Carolyn Kaiser  
EMHC: Cynthia Kumm, Keith Koertje, Denise Koertje-Shut-ins  
SERVERS: Alex Kleinschmit, Paige Nissen, Madison Abbenhaus  
GREETERS and \*VOCATION CROSS:  
CCD Grades 3 and 4 and \*Jason Hans Family

**ST. ROSE FISH FRY:** The St. Rose Fish Fry will be held on March 31st. If you graduated in an ODD number year, please pick up your Fish Fry assignment letter in the back of church.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**  
**The sick:** Allan Arens, Bernadette Tramp, Heather Hegge, Jeanine Johnson, Christy (Tweedy) Hebeisen, Ray Poppe, Craig Gobel, Frances Johnson, Ann Johnson, Sue Sandvig, Shirley (Hegge) Mines, Sr. Janet Guenther, Fr. James McCluskey, all the troops overseas, and those suffering from natural disasters.  
"Heavenly Father accept our prayers offered for them."

**Baptism** St. Rose Parish welcomes through the Living Waters of Baptism: Miles Madison Mueller, son of Brent & Mandi  
May God bless this child and his family abundantly.

**ST. ANDREW'S - GIFT TO GOD - FEBRUARY 12, 2017**  
*Sunday Giving needed weekly - \$1,340.00*

Sunday	\$ 774.00
Plate	\$ 64.00
Children	\$ 51.86



**ST. ANDREW'S NEWS**

**CCD:** Class on Sunday, February 26, 9:00-10:15 AM.  
--CCD Grades 3 and 4 plan Mass and are greeters.  
--Coffee and rolls served prior to Mass beginning at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

**CCD WATKINS FUNDRAISER:** Feb. 12 through Feb. 26.  
Just a reminder to please pick up your Watkins packets and return your orders to Terri Olander or Barb Jackson no later than Sunday, February 26th (next Sunday). Senior high packets are in the CCD area for those interested. If you have any questions or did not receive a fundraising packet, contact Barb or Terri.

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** Next meeting after 6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on March 1st.

**AREA EVENTS:**

**February 21: Healing your Family Tree Retreat** with Fr. Christopher Onuoha, 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Parish Center in Fordyce, NE. Father prefers that everyone go to confession before you come if possible. Confession is the most powerful Sacrament. Father has written a book on Generational Healing and has traveled across the country and internationally to give this retreat. There will be teaching and Mass for healing the family tree. A *Free Will Donation* will be accepted to cover Father's trip. \* Father's book will be available to purchase at the retreat.

**March 18-20: Rural TEC at Glad Tidings (Bloomfield).**  
July 15-17, 2017 at Tintern (Oakdale),  
For more information: <http://archomaha.org/family/youth>.

**March 19-20: Vatican International Exhibition:** Eucharistic Miracles Of The World. Exhibition in Holy Trinity Grade School Gym, Hartington. Hours: Saturday, March 19, 2017, 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. Sunday, March 19, 2017, 9:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. and Monday, March 20, 2017, 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
**For information, go to: [www.holytrinityhartington.com](http://www.holytrinityhartington.com) or call 402-254-6559.**

**March 22: Encounter** - A night of music, prayer, witness, and encounter with Jesus 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Area parishes are invited and encouraged to attend – Open to youth in grades 7-12. Join us for Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship music led by Danny Leger and a short talk by one of our Archdiocesan priests. Weds., March 22, Holy Trinity, Hartington.

**KC BREAKFAST:** St. Rose Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 26th from 8:00 until 11:00 a.m., St. Rose Parish Center. Everyone welcome.

**Thank YOU** THANK YOU - THANK YOU: Thanks to the wonderful planning and hundreds of volunteer hours of preparation, in addition to the generosity of our parishioners, families and friends. Preliminary numbers show a net income for the event of over **\$80,000.00**. We served around **360** meals. We raised **\$5,200.00** for the school textbook project. Congratulations to **James & Elaine Schmitz** on winning the Nashville/Memphis vacation, to **Susie Hillman** for winning the big screen TV raffle, and to **Joe Maibaum** for selecting the \$250 envelope from the Bank of Hartington. Thank you to everyone who attended, participated and helped in making the Unity Supper such a great success.