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First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018

WE ARE ON A MISSION...

The mission of Saint Rose of Lima Parish is
to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
and to nourish and awaken each parishioner's relationship
with Our Lord, with one another and with the Church.
We strive to be a vibrant, inclusive Catholic community,
revealing the presence of God by the way we
worship and live in the modern world.



Rev. Msgr. James J. Graham, J.C.D., Pastor

Rev. Gasper A. Genuardi, Weekend Assistant

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Joanne Trageser, Director of Religious Education

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Jane Selner, Coordinator of Parish Ministries

Helen Diebold, Parish Secretary

Mary McCarthy, Parish Secretary

Bob Geiger, Facilities Manager

Tony Venezia, Sexton

Diane McCaughan, Mater Dei Catholic School
Principal

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday- Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (3:00 p.m. over the summer)

CLOSED: Saturday, Sunday, Holy Days and Major Civil Holidays

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School Web Site: www.materdeicatholic.com

Mass Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 5:00 PM Sharon Best, req. by John
8:00 AM Helen Fealey, req. by
Konarski Family
9:30 AM Dr. Richard Capriotti, req. by
JoAnn Capriotti
11:30 AM Dennis & Kathleen O'Hara, req. by
Dick & Kathy Target

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 8:30 AM People of the Parish

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 8:30 AM Meredith Viney, req. by
Bob & Judy Viney

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

- 8:30 AM Loretta & Kenneth Morris, req. by
Carol Gifford

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

- 8:30 AM Barbara Krazewski, req. by
Konarski Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

- 8:30 AM Betty Check, req. by Tom Check

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

- 8:30 AM John Golewski, req. by
Bob & Judy Viney
10:30 AM Peg Leimbach, 1st Anniv., req. by
Kesilman Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9

- 5:00 PM Pat Wilson, req. by Bob Wilson
8:00 AM Bob & Rita Gabel, req. by
Tom & Mary Ann Carney
9:30 AM Carl & Marie Saner & Peter Lease,
req. by Family
11:30 AM Mary Lawn, req. by Collins Family

SECOND COLLECTION

The second Collection this week is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for these and all our Military personnel:

Lt. Randolph Capocasale, U.S.A.
Chaplain Joseph L. Coffey, U.S.N.
Pvt. 1st Class Jonathan Curtis, U.S.A.
Pvt. Ryan Gilbey, U.S.A.
Sgt. Bobby Hames, U.S.A.
CDR John Joseph Hoy, U.S.N.
Sr. Airman Tony Nolte, U.S.A.F.
PO2 David Peterman, U.S.C.G.
LCDR Patrick Salvitti, U.S.N.
Pvt. 1st Class Christian Sirianni, U.S.A.
Lt. Stephen R. Vitali, U.S.N

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Nancy Corsello, Baby Isla Elizabeth Standbridge, Lorraine Price, Lauren Schiazza, Elizabeth Gilbert, Mary Kay Wegman, John McHugh, Mary Frances Kane, Jean Wendt, Rita Dziekan, Brian Bruder, Joe Gallagher, Elise Senior, Ron DiNicola, Lisa Stites, Mary McDermott, Tom Williams, Mary Agnes Reimel, Richard Nornhold, Nancy Boorse, Becky Schafer, Eleanor Herbert, Skip Delasandro, Anthony Prete, Agnes Neas, Patricia Hoffman, Linda Edwards, Margaret Bevins, Joel Rivera, Julie Burr, Eileen Kalacznik, John Fox, Charlotte Hart, Michael McMenamin, John Ott, Salem Yabut, Kathleen Leahy, Maja Murphy, Kenneth Hoot, Bob Ferro, Anne O'Neill Magnuson, Theresa Steinhauser, Al & Dale Zachwieja, Remy Capocasale

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF:

Pasquale (Pat) Talarico (Husband of Joanne)
Rev. Charles C. Garst, O.S.F.S.


—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

Consider Parish Giving. Parish Giving is never interrupted by vacation time and gives you one less thing to do when you return. JOIN NOW!! See the Parish website to sign up.

Weekly Offerings

Upon the recommendations of our Pastoral Council, we are asking all parishioners to contribute at least \$20.00 per week in order to support our parish needs.

THIS IS OUR FAITH



--- Deacon's Desk ---

HOW IS JESUS GOD INCARNATE?

THE TERM *Son of God* is key to the Christian theology of Incarnation. In Hebrew scripture, “son of God” denotes a person with a special relationship to God. In the New Testament the term describes the unique relationship of Jesus to God. In the Jewish sense, the whole people of Israel and the king of the nation are sons of God. Jews post-biblically began to refer to the anticipated Messiah as “son of God.” None of these Jewish usages implied a divine nature, only a privileged relationship.

In Christian usage the title is first applied to Jesus because he saw himself that way. God is his Father: It’s repeated often enough that we might just as easily say Jesus saw himself as God’s Son. Clearly the gospel writers and Saint Paul used the title after Jesus’ resurrection appearances to say something more about Jesus than anyone had claimed before.

The early church fathers drew together traditions of prophecy, Wisdom, and the Divine Word to see Jesus as sharing in the divinity of God both before his human birth and afterwards. At the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. Jesus was declared begotten of God before time began and “one in being with the Father.”

Next week’s scripture insights:

Readings for Sunday, December 9, 2018 • Second Sunday of Advent: Bar 5:1-9 ✞ Ps 126:1-6 ✞ Phil 1:4-6,8-11 ✞ Luke 3:1-6

Today’s Psalm paints a dream-like scene – a road filled with liberated captives heading home to Zion (Jerusalem), mouths filled with laughter, tongues rejoicing.

It’s a glorious picture from Israel’s past, a “new exodus,” the deliverance from exile in Babylon. It’s being recalled in a moment of obvious uncertainty and anxiety. But the psalmist isn’t waxing nostalgic.

Remembering “the Lord has done great things” in the past, he is making an act of faith and hope – that God will come to Israel in its present need, that He’ll do even greater things in the future.

This is what the Advent readings are all about: We recall God’s saving deeds – in the history of Israel and in the coming of Jesus. Our remembrance is meant to stir our faith, to fill us with confidence that, as today’s Epistle puts it, “the One who began a good work in [us] will continue to complete it” until He comes again in glory.

Each of us, the Liturgy teaches, is like Israel in her exile – led into captivity by our sinfulness, in need of restoration, conversion by the Word of the Holy One (see **Baruch 5:5**). The lessons of salvation history should teach us that, as God again and again delivered Israel, in His mercy He will free us from our attachments to sin, if we turn to Him in repentance.

That’s the message of John, introduced in today’s Gospel as the last of the great prophets (compare **Jeremiah 1:1-4,11**). But John is greater than the prophets (see **Luke 7:27**). He’s preparing the way, not only for a new redemption of Israel, but for the salvation of “all flesh” (see also **Acts 28:28**). John quotes Isaiah (40:3) to tell us he’s come to build a road home for us, a way out of the wilderness of sin and alienation from God. It’s a road we’ll follow Jesus down, a journey we’ll make, as today’s First Reading puts it, “rejoicing that [we’re] remembered by God.”

Thoughts to Consider this week~

A GUIDE TO KEEP US SAFE

If you’ve ever traveled to previously unknown places, you appreciate the importance of having a reliable guide. A good guide speaks the language, knows the lay of the land, and anticipates obstacles along the way. John the Baptist is such a guide for our Advent journey. He cautions us to prepare the way for deeper access to the divine mystery we approach in this season. John tells us that the right spirit for this encounter is repentance: a turning around, a fresh effort. Some of us may need to be forgiven. Others have some forgiving to do. Heed this guidance!

STOP AND LOOK AROUND

Advent invites you to see ordinary life with special eyes, deeply enough that ordinary people and experiences are holy, the stuff of salvation. Advent is a time—stop there! A time. Snag it! Hold it! Use it! Discover that your daily life and the people in it are all messengers of God so that one day you will not have to say, “If only I had seen. If only I had slowed down. If only I hadn’t hustled past Jesus as I rushed through my day—and my life.”

2018 Christmas Schedule

ADVENT CONFESSION

Wednesday, December 19 - 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

4:00 p.m. - Church & Parish Center
8:00 p.m. - Church
Midnight - Church

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Mary, Mother of God, (Holyday)
December 31 - Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.
January 1, 2019 - 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

Weekly Meetings & Events

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

- ◆ Youth Group, Youth Center 7:00 PM
- ◆ **Eagles Tailgate Party!** (Faith Playbook)
Fr. Murphy Room, 12:30 PM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

- ◆ Walking With Purpose, Parish Ctr, 7:00 PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

- ◆ Walking With Purpose, FMR, 9:30 AM
- ◆ Legion of Mary, S/T Room, 2:00 PM
- ◆ Men's BB, Gym, 9:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

- ◆ Club 78, FMR, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

- ◆ Prayer Shawls, FMR, 9:30 AM
- ◆ Advent Retreat, FMR, 6:30 PM
- ◆ Men's Basketball, Gym, 9:30 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

- ◆ Senior Brunch, Fr. Murphy Room, 11:30 AM
- ◆ Giving Tree Gifts Returned, Gym, Before
Or After Mass Until 5:45 PM

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Please RETURN ALL GIFTS to the PARISH CENTER GYM NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 8, before or after the 5 pm Mass, or DECEMBER 9, before or after the morning Masses until 12:45 pm. Not able to get a tag? Blankets, toys and games are always welcomed. Help is needed on Monday, December 10 at 9:00 am. in the gym to pack the gifts for delivery.



Ministry News & Activities

HOPE SERVICE

St Rose HOPE volunteers perform **WORKS OF MERCY**. The primary purpose of this organized group is to provide services in a personal and caring way to parishioners who may need a hand. HOPE is a temporary service to be utilized when family, friends or neighbors are not available.

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>GROUP LEADER</u>	<u>PHONE#</u>
Dec 2	Dolores Gorman	215-803-4611
Dec 9	Lorrie Deak	215-699-2630
Dec 16	Patty Ratke	215-699-4744

If you cannot reach the Group Leader,
call Patty Ratke at 215-699-4744

CHRISTMAS DRAWING

The drawing will take place on **Sunday, December 23**, after the 11:30 Mass in the vestibule of church.

1ST PRIZE - \$3,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,500.00

3RD PRIZE - \$1,000.00

GOOD LUCK!!!



CALLING ALL COOKIE BAKERS!

Our parish HOPE Ministry is in need of **home-made cookies** to fill the boxes to take to our 34 shut-in parishioners. If you can help, please deliver cookies to Patty Ratke, 313 Haines Drive, North Wales the weekend of December 7-9. Many thanks for your kindness!

ALTAR LINEN PICK UP SCHEDULE

Dec 2	Leslie Salvitti
Dec 5	Mary Schiele
Dec 9	Maureen Doyle
Dec 12	Anne Esposito
Dec 16	Janet Fuchs

WAWA HOAGIE COUPONS!



Wawa hoagie coupons are available for \$5 per coupon in the Parish Office during business hours. Proceeds benefit the St. Rose of Lima Youth & Young Adult Ministries.

SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS DINNER at CHOC on December 13



Please join us! Help us provide a hot, home-cooked holiday meal to the men and women residing at the CHOC homeless shelter.

We welcome food and financial donations, cooks to help prepare the food, and Santa's helpers to deliver and serve the meal. **Share the gift of your time and companionship this Christmas season.**

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Make a financial donation to cover costs of food and gifts of warmth (*checks to St. Rose of Lima*)
- Bake a home-made Christmas dessert
- Help prepare food at St. Rose Kitchen on December 13 from 2:30-4:30 pm
- Serve Dinner & Visit at CHOC - 5:00-6:30 pm

To support this event, contact Jane Selner at 215-699-4617 or jselner@srol.org

ELDERCARE CORNER

Have you filed for your PA Property Tax/Renter's Rebate for 2017? It's not too late to file your claim as you can file until December 31, 2018. The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded. **For more information, or to see if you are eligible, contact Amy Juarez** with the St. Rose of Lima Eldercare Assistance Program at 267-663-5399 or ajuarez@chs-adphila.org

Life is a journey. Where are you headed?

It was not you who chose me,
but I who chose you...
John 15:16

Food for your body and soul!

Discovering CHRIST

This exciting course gives adults time and space in their life to more fully discover the peace and joy of personally encountering Jesus Christ. *Discovering CHRIST* starts with the basic questions we all ask: **"What's life all about?"** and **"What's the meaning and purpose of my life?"** From there we take a fresh look at the person of Jesus and his message, asking **"Why does this matter for me?"** and **"Why should I be concerned about faith?"**

This course offers people of all ages - wherever they are on their journey of faith - to come together in a warm, friendly and judgement-free environment to explore what relevance Jesus Christ has for their lives today.

What happens?

We gather once a week for seven weeks to share dinner, view a dynamic 30-minute talk and then, over coffee & dessert there's a chance for small group discussion to talk about what we just heard.

Why should you attend this series?

To encounter the peace and joy and balance of life lived in Jesus Christ! So far, 600 persons have attended the ChristLife series at St. Rose including parishioners, their friends, co-workers, spouses and family members, plus members of nearby parishes and many from other faith traditions or with no professed faith. ***Their personal testimonies speak of hearts deeply touched, lives transformed and enriched, faith renewed and strengthened, and a new-found sense of purpose.***

SIGN UP TODAY!

Email jselner@srol.org or visit srol.org and search "Discovering Christ" which will take you to a link for online registration.

QUESTIONS? Contact Rusty Beardsley at rusty.beardsley@gmail.com or 215-498-3007 or Jane Selner at 215-699-4617 or jselner@srol.org



To all of our Parish Friends, your prayers and support mean so much to the children, parents, and staff of Mater Dei. Thank you for helping us to continue our mission and give the gift of a Catholic education to our children. Blessings to all of our parish families!



Blue Ribbon Celebration – For all those who celebrated with us on Saturday, November 17, whether in person or in spirit, thank you! The day recognized the achievement of the 2018 National Blue Ribbon for Mater Dei Catholic School. From the parade to the “family tailgate” to a beautiful mass at St. Stanislaus Parish, the day brought all of us together in celebration of this honored accomplishment.

Mater Dei Christmas Pageant – Dec. 11 at 7 PM
Celebrate the Christmas Spirit with the Mater Dei Catholic School community in St. Stanislaus Church. All are welcome!

Schedule a Tour & Enroll for the 2019-30 School Year at Mater Dei Catholic School - All families with Preschool to Grade 8 children are welcome to visit Mater Dei. **Learn more about giving your child the gift of an exceptional Catholic education** from a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School. Please contact the Advancement Office at gsmanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787.

THANKSGIVING MEALS

Our great parish again was so generous to the families in St. Malachy and St. Helena/Incarnation parishes. We received 66 turkeys! Mater Dei School made up 8 boxes filled with everything needed for a Thanksgiving dinner and we added 8 turkeys to them. We also sent another 20 turkeys to St. Malachy and gave 30 turkeys to St. Helena/Incarnation and extra turkeys to area food cupboards. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus who helped deliver the turkeys.

Please pray for our high school teens. They will be on retreat this weekend at Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarreyville, PA, where they will be walking through the life of King David.



ST. ROSE PARISH TRIPS

American Music Theatre -THE FIRST NOEL

We all had a wonderful time at the show. The singers, dancers, costumes and scenery were unbelievable. We had lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Our weather was snowy when we arrived in Lancaster but our bus driver took great care in getting us to the show and back home. A great time was had by all!

UPCOMING TRIPS

MARCH FOR LIFE - WASHINGTON DC FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019

Depart St. Rose at 7:00 am; return by ~9:00 pm. Call Helen Diebold, 215-699-9478 for your reservation.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019 DOOLAN'S IN SPRING LAKE, N.J. ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION Show & Lunch - \$119.50

Bus for 26 people fills up quickly. Contact Helen Diebold, 215-699-9478 for reservations.



THE KNIGHT'S KORNER

Updates from the Knights of
Columbus Council #9715

THANK YOU! The St. Rose Knights of Columbus thanks our fellow parishioners for their support for the Coats for Kids campaign. This year we collected over **\$400** and approximately **270** coats from St. Rose and our other collection sites. The bulk of the collection will be delivered to St. Helena's in Olney this weekend, but because the overwhelming generosity (particularly adult items), we will also be able to support the Brother House in Norristown.

Are you interested in becoming a knight? There is a call deep within each man to go deeper and reach higher to become the man God made him to be. In a world full of challenges, the Knights of Columbus equips men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect their families, serve others and defend their values. Visit www.kofc.org/joinus from a computer or mobile device to enroll in our digital program that allows you a chance to become engaged in KoC spiritual and council life right here in our Parish. We also invite you to connect with our local Roundtable by attending our next St. Rose meeting at 7:00 pm on December 17 in the Parish Center or contact Roundtable Leader Pete Mazzeo at 215-205-8278 or by email at koc.srol@gmail.com.



STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS

The St. Rose of Lima Treats for Troops Ministry will be stuffing stockings for soldiers to send a taste of home to our military heroes serving overseas during the holiday season.

Currently, **we are collecting individual "grab and go" snacks** (trail mix, beef jerky, hot cocoa packets, oatmeal, protein bars, cookies, candy canes...) **word search/ puzzle books** and **Christmas cards**. All items can be placed in the bin marked "Treats for Troops" at the back of church by December 9.

If you know a military member serving overseas or would like more information on ways you can become involved, please contact me at Anitaflamingfrg@aol.com or 215-783-2738.

Feed and Be Fed 100 Reverse ADVENT CALENDAR

As part of the St. Rose effort to end hunger in our community, we are launching a reverse Advent Calendar as a fun way that you and your family can make a difference.




EACH DAY DURING ADVENT, ADD AN ITEM OF FOOD TO A BOX.

Bring the box of food to church on December 22-23. If the box is too heavy to easily transport, simply bring items throughout the month as it is best for your family. **THANK YOU!**

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - jar of peanut butter
- December 3 - container of jam or jelly
- December 4 - can of fruit
- December 5 - can of vegetables
- December 6 - can of tuna or chicken
- December 7 - can of tomatoes
- December 8 - box of pasta
- December 9 - box of crackers
- December 10 - macaroni & cheese
- December 11 - boxed rice
- December 12 - jar of pasta sauce
- December 13 - jar of applesauce
- December 14 - can of soup
- December 15 - box of oatmeal
- December 16 - boxed stuffing
- December 17 - stock (beef or chicken)
- December 18 - raisins/dried fruit
- December 19 - box of granola bars
- December 20 - bag of dried beans
- December 21 - condiment
- December 22 - container of coffee/tea

In honor of the 100th Jubilee year of St. Rose of Lima Parish, **Feed and Be Fed 100** is our social justice initiative to collect 100,000 servings of food for hungry families in our community. Each week, please bring one food item to Mass to feed hungry families. Place it in the donation bin and then be fed by the Word of God. Thank you!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<h1>December</h1>						
2 CCD - Youth Group 7:00 pm Youth Center	3 - Walking With Purpose 7:00 pm Parish Center	4 - Walking With Purpose 9:30 am FMR - Legion of Mary 2:00 pm S/T Room - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym	5 - Keenagers Christmas Luncheon Club 78 7:00 pm FMR/Gym	6 - Prayer Shawls 9:30 am S/T Rm - Advent Supper & Prayer 6:30 pm FMR - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym		
9 CCD - Giving Tree Gifts Returned to Gym Before & After Masses	10 - Gather Giving Tree Gifts in Gym- 9:00 am - Walking With Purpose 7:00 pm Parish Ctr - Men's Prayer Group 7:00 pm FMR	11 - Walking With Purpose 9:30 am FMR - Legion of Mary 2:00 pm S/T Room - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym	12 - Club 78 7:00 pm Youth Ctr	13 - Prayer Shawls 9:30 am S/T Rm - Social Justice 2:30 pm Kitchen - Followers of Mary 7:00 pm Church - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym	14 - Curia Mtg 7:30 pm FMR	15 - Prayer Shawls 9:30 am S/T Rm
16 CCD - Youth Group 7:00 pm Youth Ctr	17 - Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm Lounge - Living Again 7:00 pm FMR	18 - Legion of Mary 2:00 pm S/T Room - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym	19 Advent Penance 7:30 pm Church	20 - St. John's Hospice 9:00 am Casserole Pickup Parish Garage - Martha's Servers 9:15 am Church - Prayer Shawls 9:30 am S/T Rm - Men's BB 9:30 pm Gym	21	22
23	24 CHRISTMAS VIGIL Mass Schedule 4:00 pm - Church & Parish Center 8:00 pm - Church Midnight - Church Parish Center Closed	25 CHRISTMAS Mass Schedule 9:30 am & 11:30 am Church	26 Parish Center Closed	27 Parish Center Closed	28 Parish Center Closed	29
30	31 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Vigil Mass 5:00 pm					

Religious Education

RCIA-Adult Faith Formation

Do you know non-Catholics who are happy with their own faith tradition but who are interested in learning about the Roman Catholic Faith?

Are you a Roman Catholic who would enjoy helping other adults learn about Catholicism, and/or who would like to update your own knowledge of our Faith?

Are you an adult (18 years and older) baptized Roman Catholic who has not received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?

Contact one of our clergy or call the Religious Education Office at 215.699.4434. Our RCIA Team can schedule our welcoming, informal gatherings according to the availability of our participants.

Attention High School & College Students

Have you ever considered being involved with our parish's CCD/Prep?

90 minutes of your time on Sunday mornings could prove to be the most satisfying and enjoyable volunteer/community service hours of your high school/college career. You could be that role model that made all the difference in the faith formation of a young person.

* Unable to commit to every CCD Sunday? We can work with your schedule.

* Not an education or theology major? You don't need to be. Our catechists come from all professional and academic backgrounds.

* Thinking about being a coach, scout leader, elementary, secondary or special education major?

Please consider becoming a part of our Sunday morning prep where you can gain valuable experience in your chosen field while providing an invaluable service to our young parishioners.

Please contact the DRE, Joanne Trageser, 215.699.4434 for more information.

Inquiries carry NO Obligation.

Catechetical Spotlight: CCD/Prep Mentors & Assistant Catechists (High School/College students)

Many thanks to our mentors who give of their time and talent to our CCD/Prep! Kieran Aponte, Zach Cline, Christina Doppel, Livi Greco, Harrison Jaffe, David Juarez, Meg Keeley, Corrine Markus, and Erin Treacy.

CCD/Prep: Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Archdiocese's Missionary Childhood Association (MCA) focuses on what children around the globe can do for one another-keeping in mind both the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. The MCA's **November Mission focus is Joy in the Lord's School in Lima, Peru.** Requests were made for students to pray one Hail Mary per school day for the mission's intentions. In this **100th Anniversary celebration of our parish, we thought it appropriate to commit to this Spiritual Work of praying for this school that educates and rehabilitates children and teens with physical disabilities in our patroness's home town of Lima, Peru.** Joy in the Lord's School will be a prayer focus throughout this Extraordinary Year of Mission for the Catholic Church. (Oct 21, 2018 to Oct 20, 2019).



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