

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY AND JOSEPH

Happy New Year 2015!



MONDAY, December 29TH, 2014
SUNDAY, January 4th, 2015

A teacher asked her class to give her an example of things that they cannot count. The students were so happy to answer by saying "stars, sands, grains of salt, and even sugar." One of them, so quiet, seems to be thinking so deep. The teacher called him and asked: "How about you? What do you think?"

The boy stood up and answered: "The things that cannot be counted because they are many and keep on increasing are **blessings, blessings from the Lord.**"

What had happened to us in the past year 2014? Most of our experiences may be good ones, but there might be also misfortunes, and sad things that we encountered. But in spite of all these, there are more blessings received from God. And now we ask: **What will happen to us in the New Year 2015? What surprises are we going to experience?"**

There are two things that we should think and accept in this New Year 2015:

First, **TRUST**. If ever we will encounter challenges and difficulties in the year ahead, don't be upset, don't be afraid. **Trust in God!** He is our most powerful God who loves and cares for us. Whatever experiences we will encounter – whether it be sadness or our basic needs to survive – we shall not worry, trust in the most loving God. He will not abandon us; He will not leave us alone; He will remedy the situation. Whatever happens, we shall never give up but in times like this, we should call on Him more and more and come closer to Him. He will give us His choicest blessings. We just **TRUST** in Him!

Second, **HOPE**, Things that would upset us may come our way. If we trust in God, our loving God, we should also hope in His continued protection. When we encounter difficulties and trials, there is no reason to give up, but hope in the Lord always. He is our strength, and He will protect us from all evil and harm. God will do everything for us because He loves us so much, in spite of us. Hope in the Lord and we shall be saved.

As we end the year 2014, and start the New Year 2015, let us look backward and may we be filled with **gratitude**; look inward and be filled with **peace**; look forward and be filled with **hope**; and look upward that **God may fill us with so many blessings**.

May the year 2015 be a year of **Faith**. Our faith in God is our trust in God. It is also our hope as we journey in this world. May this year be a year of faith and blessings to you, your families, and our parish community of St. Rose of Lima. May our Blessed Mother be with us together with her Son throughout the year.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!

From the Pastoral Team and Staff of St. Rose of Lima Parish!

MON Dec 29 TH	7:30 a.m.	+ Keith Scott
TUES Dec 30 TH	7:30 a.m.	Isaiah Cruz – In Thanksgiving
WED Dec 31 ST	5:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Rose
THUR Jan 1 ST	9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. Rose All Parishioners of St. Rose All Parishioners of St. Rose
FRI Jan 2 ND	7:00 p.m.	+ All Souls
SAT Jan 3 RD	5:00 p.m.	+ Juana Ferreira
SUN Jan 4 TH	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.	+ Annette Lachapelle + Hermann Miclits + Irene & Anne Chou + Massotti & Cichello Families Vietnamese Mass



We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love."



SUNDAY MISSALS are now available for purchase at the Parish Office for \$5 each. Please bring exact change.

**2015 SUNDAY
DONATION ENVELOPES**

Any envelopes not picked up from the Narthex have been brought in the Parish Office. Please visit the Parish Office to pick up your envelopes.

An offering made in memory of a deceased loved one.

An acknowledgement for your donation will appear in the weekly bulletin but no tax receipt is issued.

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| Bread and Wine | \$25 |
| Sanctuary Lamp (Church) | \$20 |
| Lamps beside Exposed Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel | \$10/each |
| Oil for Altar Candle | \$10 |

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

- **VOCATION ADORATION SUNDAY-**
Every 3rd Sunday of the Month. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from Saturday, after the 5 p.m. Mass to Sunday at 7 a.m.
- **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD** – Mondays from 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in the Church.
- **KARATE** – Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Hall.
- **TAI CHI** – Fridays from 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the Hall.
- **LIBRARY & RESOURCE CENTRE** - Please return books to the Parish office.

33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY

Before Jesus died, He gave us two very important gifts:

1. The Gift of Himself, when He instituted the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper.
2. The Gift of His Mother from the Cross.

The Gift of His Mother Mary to the Church was in fact, the last human act of Jesus from the Cross. Mary, our Spiritual Mother is constantly interceding for us.

In order to get closer to Jesus through His loving Mother, we will be holding the “**33 Days to Morning Glory**” retreat. It is a “**Do it yourself Retreat**” which runs for 33 days and ends with the **Consecration to Our Blessed Mother**. All participants meet once a week to discuss, in confidence, their growth in spiritual life.

The **start date** will be **January 9th** and it will **end** on **February 11th** the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

For more information and to sign up, please contact the Legion of Mary. We need to know in advance so we can order the appropriate number of books.

Parish Library



Fundraising Thank you to the Parish

The St. Rose Library would like to thank all of you for your continued support, especially those who have purchased items from us in our Advent Fundraising effort this season. We wish all parishioners a wonderful **Christmas Season** and are looking forward to your visits to the library in the New Year!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION



Marriage preparation will be running in the parish next year. Our parish preparation program will begin **January 11th, 2015** at **2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



EDGE & LIFE TEEN TALENT SHOW

Tuesday, December 30th, 2014
at 7 – 9 p.m.

**BOWLING DAY – ST. ROSE OF LIMA
ALTAR SERVERS’**



Takes place on **January 3rd, 2015** from **1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** at

Kennedy Bowl (2300 Lawrence Ave. E. at Kennedy – White Shield Plaza).

Parental Permission Forms (from ages 8 – 18) are available at the Parish office.

For more information please contact Fr. Silvio Eljuga, associatepastor@stroseoflimaparish.ca or 416.438.6729 ext. 26

**NEW YEAR’S DAY MASS SCHEDULE
AND CHAPEL & OFFICE HOURS**

WED Dec 31 ST	NEW YEAR’S EVE	CHAPEL CLOSED (office closes at noon)
	5:00 p.m.	
THURS Jan 1 ST	NEW YEAR’S DAY	(office & chapel closed)
	9:00 a.m.	
	10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	

