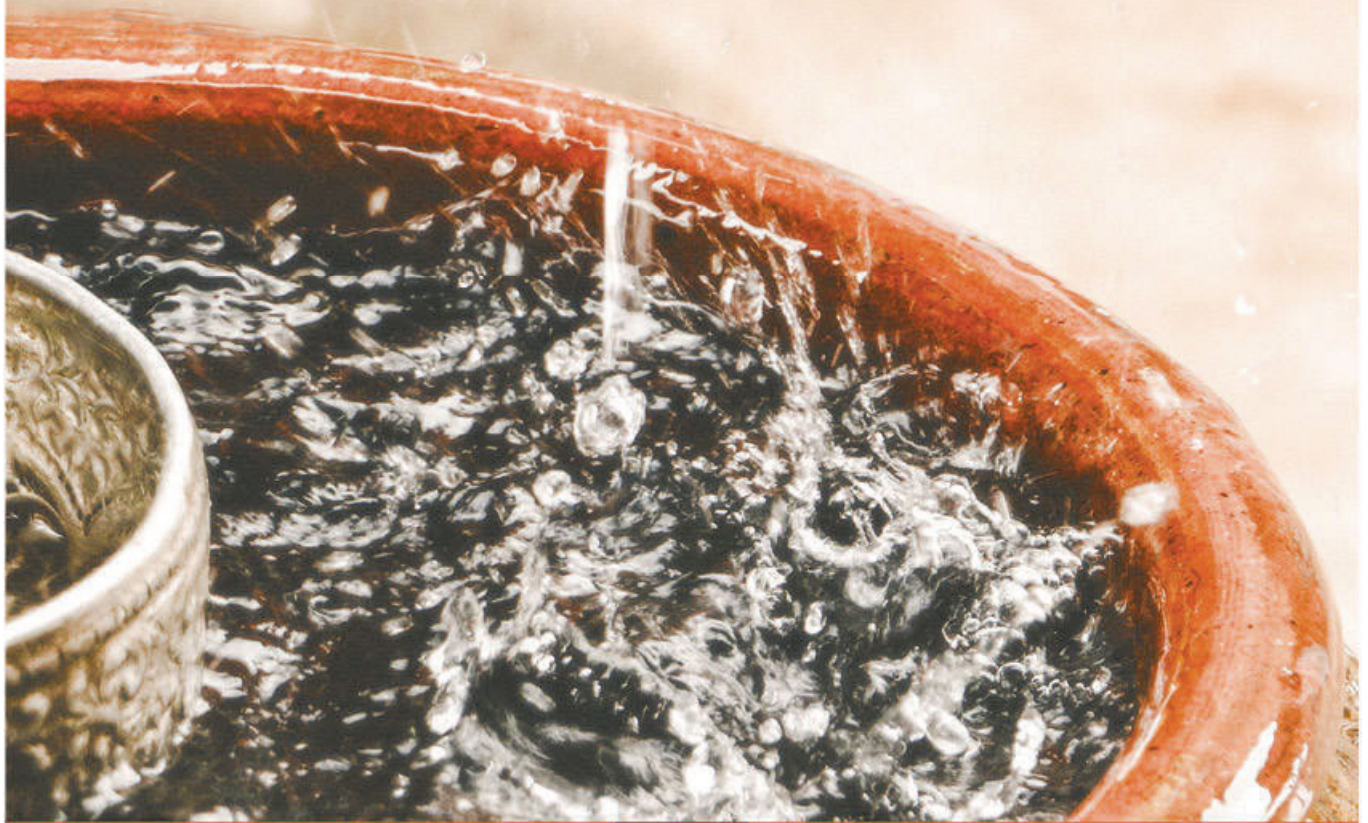


TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**THE THINGS THAT**  
COME FROM WITHIN  
ARE WHAT DEFILE.

— MARK 7:15 —



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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Matters of the Heart* Mk. 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The first reading tells us to observe the letter of the law, while the Gospel emphasizes the **spirit** of the law. Jesus cites the hypocrisy of the Pharisees for insisting on human tradition while neglecting the more important demands of the **spirit** of the law. The letter of St. James appeals to the spirit of the law as God's perfect gift: *be doers of the word, not hearers only*, to be doers of God's Will, to *walk our talk*.

Whenever we deal with laws and regulations, there are two extremes. The first are those who do not want any laws, rules, and regulations. People want to be free of institutions or establishments because they are also forms of rules and regulations. Second, the very literal followers of all the rules and regulations, some of which are trivial and no longer make sense, laws that do not serve the people and have become burdens that leave no room for personal decisions and freedom. But more often, the truth lies in the middle.

Jesus tells His listeners that the spirit of the Jewish purification laws is to keep the people closer to God by avoiding harmful contact with pagans. Following the rituals should move them to greater reverence for God and the sacred things of the liturgy and religious life. Jesus abolishes all purification laws of food; thus, no food can be considered unclean. *Nothing that enters a man from outside can make him impure; that which comes out of him, and only that, constitutes impurity*. Sins make us unclean; they originate from our hearts and will, not food. True purity means avoiding all sins that offend God and hurt our neighbor.

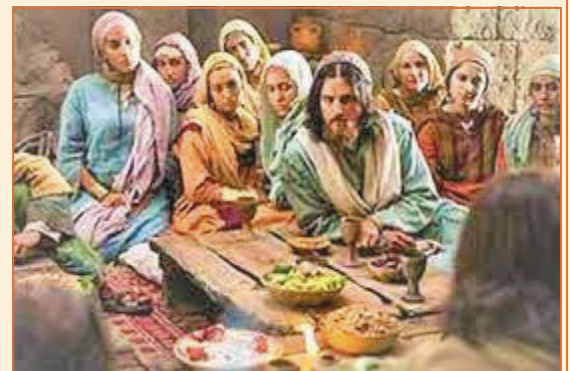
The Scribes and the Pharisees are acknowledged experts and guardians of the law. They should have known that the spirit of the law is more important than the letter of the law. Unfortunately, they completely missed and lost the real meaning of the law. They emphasize the external details of the law, fueled by their arrogance and pride. But in their hearts, the commandments of love of God and love of neighbor are practiced not. Jesus criticizes their hypocrisy: *These people pay me lip service, but their heart is far from me*. But He is not just speaking to the Pharisees but also to us. He explains that true purity means faithfulness to the Word of God, which is a matter of the heart. Love matters, just as the heart matters.

Gospel allows us to examine our following of the laws of God: internal obedience over external observances. Not to allow religion to be just a set of rules, regulations, and rituals, but rather, a way of loving God and neighbor. The Lord urges us to go beyond external observance of laws and seek a true conversion of the heart. He tells us about the importance of the heart. Words and actions are fruits of the purity of our hearts. Because, in the end, God sees the heart. Let us not disregard or belittle matters of the heart, for the heart matters.

Jesus condemns the hypocrisy and dishonesty of the Pharisees, very strict and literal in observing human rituals and traditions while failing miserably in following God's commandments. The laws of the Old Testament are primarily rules for the soul - a guide for the interior person and sets the heart for God. For this reason, more than physical cleansing, spiritual cleanliness leads to a humble and contrite heart.

*Lord, help us not to forget the heart but to remember that matters of the heart do matter.*

**Happy 20th Anniversary, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parish!** Twenty years ago (1st Sept. 2004), we were established as a PARISH and Good Shepherd Church in New River, becoming a Mission. From celebrating the first Mass at Gavilan Peak Elementary School and moving to the Spirituality Center when it was completed in July of 2009, **TODAY**, we **BREAK GROUNDS** to construct a **New Church**. We have been gifted with so much FAITH, have grown this FAITH, and will continue to share our Catholic FAITH in this part of the Valley. **Ad multos annos! ST. ROSE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY!!!**





**Sunday September 1, 2024**

*22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 12:00 pm Groundbreaking Ceremony
- 1:00 pm Middle and High School Kickoff

**Monday, September 2, 2024**

*Labor Day*

*Office Closed*

- 7:00 pm Troop 432

**Tuesday, September 3, 2024**

- 8:30 am Adult Bible Study Begins
- 7:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group

**Wednesday, September 4, 2024**

- 8:30 am SVDP Meeting
- 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/OLPH

**Thursday, September 5, 2024**

- 10:00 am WOSR/GSM Meeting
- 5:00 pm La Pieta Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm Cub Scouts

**Friday, September 6, 2024**

- 5:30 am Men's Ministry
- 6:00 pm First Friday Mass

**Saturday, September 7, 2024**

**DAILY MASS TIMES**

Monday - Saturday	7:30 am
Monday, Tues., Thurs., Fri.	12:15 pm
Wednesday Evening	6:00 pm

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

**RECONCILIATION**

Monday - Friday	7:00 am - 7:25 am
Wednesday	5:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Saturday	2:45 pm - 3:45 pm

**RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

Monday - Saturday	7:00 am
<b>Sunday</b>	6:30 am, 8:30 am,, 10:30 am

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed 1st and 3rd Monday of the month 2 pm - 3 pm for Staff Meetings

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**Parish library**

There is now a library in the Parish office. Books can be borrowed and read. Please leave books in the book case instead of in the Vestibule so parishioners can borrow them.

God Bless



**MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

WEEKEND MASS	
Sunday	9:00 am

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY	
Sunday	8:30 am

*This Week's  
Worship Aide*



# Mass Intentions

## Sunday, September 1st

7:00 am All Parishioners  
9:00 am † Concha Cadano  
9:00 am G Priest Intention  
11:00 am Tess Manzano  
(Thanksgiving)  
4:00 pm † Tara Reynolds

## Monday, September 2nd

7:30 am † Annabelle & Frank Adams  
12:15 pm † James Termine

## Tuesday, September 3rd

7:30 am Priest Intention  
12:15 pm † Elizabeth & Joseph Neville

## Wednesday, September 4th

7:30 am † John Carter  
6:00 pm Tess Manzano  
(Thanksgiving)

## Thursday, September 5th

7:30 am † James Termine  
12:15 pm † Marion Devine Kirrane

## Friday, September 6th

7:30 am Dcn John Mezydlo  
(Thanksgiving)  
6:00 pm Priest Intention

## Saturday, September 7th

7:30 am Priest Intention  
4:00 pm † Lucille Grooms

The quest for inspiration in writing this message came from the beautiful song 'Mother Dearest, Mother Fairest, Help of all who call on thee, Virgin purest, brightest rarest, Help us. Help us, we cry to thee. The icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help show us the Child Jesus seeking comfort, safety and care in the hands and the embrace of His Blessed Mother after seeing a vision of His passion and suffering. The Blessed Mother was holding the hand of the Child Jesus but her eyes are looking at us inviting us to seek refuge in her embrace. Let us seek help, comfort and care in her arms devoting our lives of reflection and prayer to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. We meet in the Adoration Area from 3-4 pm every Wednesday and would love to have you join us.



## St. Rose Community

### BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, September 8

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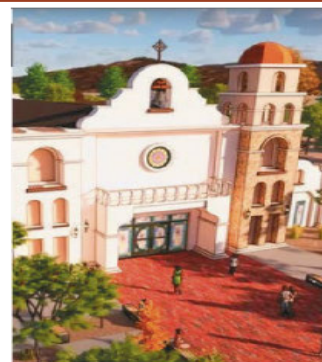
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# GROUNDBREAKING

Everyone is cordially invited to join Bishop John Dolan and Fr. Bing for the official groundbreaking of our new church this Sunday.

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne was established as a Parish of the Diocese of Phoenix on September 1, 2004, so this Sunday marks our 20th anniversary and the official groundbreaking for our long awaited church.

Bishop Dolan and Fr. Bing will concelebrate an anniversary Mass at 11:00 am.

Immediately following Mass, we will all gather at the site of the new church for the groundbreaking and refreshments. We hope that everyone will plan to attend this momentous chapter in our parish.



New Parishioners OR if you've never attended one:

Our next scheduled Welcome Reception and Luncheon will be on  
**Sunday, September 8th at 12 noon in the Parish Office**

It's a great opportunity to meet staff and other parishioners and learn more about our parish. Lunch will be served.

**Please RSVP by Tuesday, September 3rd to  
[Welcome@stroseanthem.com](mailto:Welcome@stroseanthem.com) or  
call 303-549-3360.**

**Hope to see you there!**

Do you have "90 minutes a week" to spare and you are looking for a Ministry to be a part of?

The Ministry of Care is looking for both men and women parishioners who want to Minister to the sick or home bound in our community. In return, you will receive much "personal joy", knowing you are doing a very valuable and needed service to God and the parishioners of St. Rose.

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Ministers of Care are fully trained as Christian ministers prior to making communion visits. New MOC's are provided individual guidance and support training prior to ever attending to parishioners on your own.

If interested or have any questions, please contact 623-308-0988



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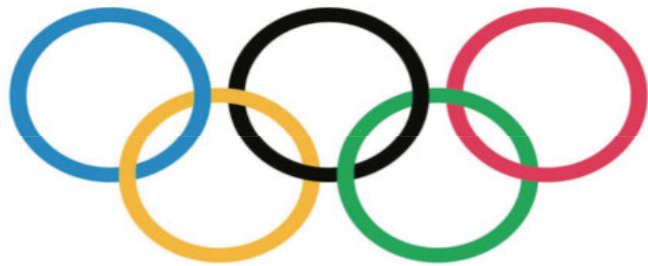
### St Rose Olympic Games!

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\*Youth Ministry registration packets for teens are available online, in the Vestibule, and in the Parish office.

A calendar with activities and dates is included in the packet.

Payments can be made online, or in the office.

Contact [chrisbosn@stroseanthem](mailto:chrisbosn@stroseanthem) with any questions.

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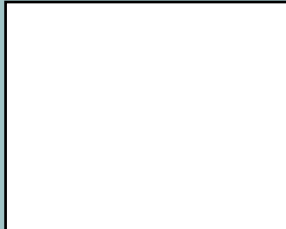
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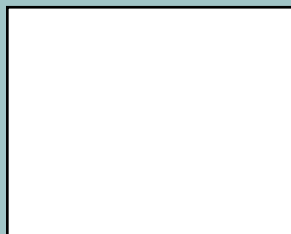
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