

Women's Bible Study: Thursdays 10:00 am in the upstairs hall for greater accessibility.

Religious Education: contact
Donna or Peggy, general classes
Sunday 9:30 am Garnet Room
Hospitality: Sundays after Mass
Bring a dish to share, or a simple snack

<u>Formed.org</u>: access code **0d020f**. Catholic Netflix for free!

**Collection / Donations**: Mail and online donation are options and you can designate where to apply the funds.

Sunday - \$ 439.00 www.stroseoflimawrangell.com

Thank you all for your generosity in time, talent and treasure.



#### Safety Protocols and Hospitality

Spring is here, but so are pollens, allergies and a variety of nasty flu bugs, which can be dangerous to our more vulnerable friends and neighbors. Be aware and take care for each other as we gather together. Use the Sanitizer as well as the Holy Water. Masks are also available.



Resources: The Diocese website, aoaj.org, is a resource to stay informed about changes or events in the Diocese. Check out the information on the Jubilee Year



# April 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday St Rose Parish News and Announcements

<u>Schedule Updates</u> - As a result of the survey we will be going back to the old schedule after Holy Week. Sunday Mass will be at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm and daily Mass will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 7:25 am. As always, the schedule will depend on weather and other factors which may cause temporary adjustments.

Holy Week Schedule: Father Jose will be with us this year.

Palm Sunday - 11:00 am (no 5:30 Mass)

Tuesday 4/15 - Reconciliation Service - 5:30 pm

Holy Thursday -7:00 pm

Good Friday -

Stations of the Cross - 6:30 pm

<u>Service</u> - 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil - 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday - 11:00 am(no 5:30 Mass)

a parish potluck will follow Mass - Ham will be provided, sides, salads and sweets are welcome!

<u>Wrangell Ministerial Association</u> - WMA will be sponsoring two community Holy Week events this year.

Good Friday Service - Noon at the Presbyterian Church, followed by a Bread and Broth meal.

Sunrise Easter Service - 8:00 am at the City Park shelter and followed by a light breakfast at Harbor Light Church

<u>CRS Rice Bowls</u> can be brought in for the Holy Thursday service. If you have been filling a bowl or still want to put a donation in, there are still empty bowls at the back of the Church. Filled bowls can be dropped off at Church any time this week if you are unable to attend on Holy Thursday.

#### **Connections - 4/13/2025**

There is a certain incongruity about today's Palm Sunday liturgy. We begin with a sense of celebration – we carry palm branches and echo the Hosannas (from the Hebrew "God save [us]") shouted by the people of Jerusalem as Jesus enters the city. But Luke's account of the Passion confronts us with the cruelty, injustice and selfishness that lead to the crucifixion of Jesus. We welcome the Christ of victory, the Christ of Palm Sunday, but we turn away from the Christ of suffering and of the poor, the Christ of Good Friday. These branches of palm are symbols of that incongruity that often exists between the faith we profess on our lips and the faith we profess in our lives.

In his account of Jesus' death, Luke portrays a Christ of extraordinary compassion and love, who forgives those who betray and destroy him, who consoles those who grieve for him, whose final breaths give comfort and hope to a condemned criminal who seeks reconciliation with God. The broken yet life-giving body of the Crucified Jesus calls us to embrace that same "attitude" of Christ, that we may bring the same healing, reconciliation and hope to all the broken members of his body.

The Gospel calls us to take on what Paul calls the "attitude of Christ Jesus" (Reading 1) in his passion and death: to "empty" ourselves of our own interests, fears and needs for the sake of others; to realize how our actions affect them and how our moral and ethical decisions impact the common good; to reach out to heal the hurt and comfort the despairing around us despite our own betrayal; to carry on, with joy and in hope, despite rejection, humiliation and suffering.

In our remembering the events of Holy Week, Jesus will turn our world and its value system upside down: true authority is found in dedicated service and generosity to others; greatness is centered in humility; the just and loving will be exalted by God in God's time.

Today's liturgy confronts us with the reality of the cross of Christ: by the cross, we are reconciled to God; by the cross, our lives are transformed in the perfect love of Christ; by the cross, Jesus' spirit of humility and compassion become a force of hope and recreation for our desperate world.

## St Rose of Lima Catholic Church





### April 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday

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Mass: Sunday at 11:00 am & 5:30 pm, except the third weekend each month, then Saturday 5:30 pm and Sunday 9:00 am. When the priest is in town Weekday Mass at 7:25 am (changes as needed)

Reconciliation: by appointment when Father Jose is here

Weddings, Baptisms or Funerals: Contact Father Jose for preparation and/or scheduling.

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