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THE
ASSOCIATION
for the preservation of
ST. ROSE OF LIMA
CHAPEL

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Association for the Preservation of St. Rose of Lima Chapel, an association of the Christian faithful established under canon law, has as its purpose to ensure that St. Rose of Lima Chapel will remain open so that all whose spiritual lives are enriched by this church can continue to worship within it by Eucharistic Adoration and other sacred activities. Funds for this purpose will be raised by the Association which will make St. Rose Chapel available to all in the geographic area for generations to come.

Welcome!



Fall is upon us. We pray for your well being in this trying period of the COVID-19 Pandemic. St. Rose of Lima Chapel is still offering Mass on the last Friday of each month and weekly Eucharistic Adoration each Wednesday. (See Adoration article below).

WEEKLY ADORATION

Due to early darkness, Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel is now 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm so that those who are hesitant to be out after dark will be more comfortable. Please enter in the West entrance. We are safely observing COVID-19 precautions – everyone must wear a face mask and observe social distancing. Pews, elevator and stair rails are being sanitized.

Please remember that Live Adoration on Face Book continues on Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

NEXT MONTHLY MASS IS OCTOBER 30

Mass is at 6:00 pm. As usual, please enter in the West entrance. Everyone must wear a face mask. Please sanitize your hands upon entering, and maintain social distancing. St. Rose Chapel observes and utilizes every COVID-19 precaution to provide a safe and prayerful environment.

Reservations are necessary.

Please call

815-573-5455

and leave a message stating your name and number of persons attending the Mass.

Reservations must be in no later than the day before Mass.



This year, due to the Pandemic, the major St. Rose Chapel Fundraiser of the year will be in the form of a Cash Raffle. As with all organizations during this difficult time, there are no ways we can gather for social events that has garnered funds for the Association in the past. Therefore, we pray for a sold-out Raffle to take care of the ongoing needs of the Chapel that continue regardless of the Pandemic.

Tickets are \$100 each. There are only 300 tickets to be sold. The prizes are as follows:

Two Grand Prizes of \$5,000 each
Second Prize of \$1,000
Third & Four Prizes of \$500 each
Plus Five Prizes of \$200 each

The drawing will take place on Friday, November 27, 2020 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This will occur following the Mass at St. Rose of Lima Chapel approximately 7:30 p.m. We welcome viewers to attend the drawing in person as we strive for transparency, even in this difficult time. It will also be live streamed on the St. Rose Facebook page.

Tickets are available for sale by:

MAIL - APSRC, P. O. Box 302, Aroma Park, IL 60910

PICK UP - ADCRAFT PRINTERS

1355 W. Jeffrey St., Kankakee, IL, 815-932-6432

or at St. Rose Chapel during Adoration or Mass or from any board member.

REPAIRS TO CHAPEL AND RECTORY

The August 10, 2020 Durecho wind storm caused substantial damage to the St. Rose property. The strong winds not only felled three trees but removed more slate shingles from the chapel roof to add to the few that were already missing prior to the storm.

Your donations and payments from the insurance have made it possible to replace 50 slate shingles, repair concrete tuckpoint work on part of the steeple, and repair the flat roof and concrete edging on the west side of the elevator building.

Our thanks to Alexander Construction Company for their donation of the use of a man lift for the roof and steeple repairs at no cost to us.

There were two windows on the rectory damaged in the storm which were replaced. Also this fall, repairs were made to the boiler and the heating system to ready them for the winter season. All of these repairs, as well as weekly lawn mowing of the property, have been under the direction of our vice-president and one dedicated volunteer. One of our ambitious board members has volunteered to cut the grass in the patio portion of the rectory grounds, as needed. Our president, was responsible for most of the sawing and clean-up of the fallen trees and overgrown shrubbery from the front of the rectory. The stumps and a couple of large trees will be removed by professionals. More news will follow about the planting of replacements.



Due to the on-going Pandemic, St. Rose Chapel postponed the Garage Sale from September to next year, hopefully in the Spring.

Your generosity in making early donations was amazing! The Chapel basement is full of treasures that now must be stored until the date of the Garage Sale next year. The Association Board thanks all of you for your past and future generosity. They ask, however, that all donations be held until the sale since the basement is quite full.

Please watch future newsletters, Facebook and the Website for updates on the Sale as they materialize.

MEMORIAL PRAYER GARDEN

Plans have been drawn for the future Paver Garden on the lawn west of the Chapel.

The site will include engraved pavers, four benches and ultimately, flowers, bushes and landscaping, and possibly a statue of St Rose of Lima.

Pavers are available in two sizes, 7 x 10 and 4 x 8. These can be engraved as Memorials for loved ones or from living friends of St. Rose.

Donations for the smaller pavers are \$100 and for the larger ones, \$150

These would make wonderful, unique and lasting Christmas gifts! Call the office or see any board member for information.

FALL CLEAN-UP

On two Saturdays this fall, many of our members met to trim bushes, rake up debris, and tidy up the property. The first meeting was interrupted by rain, so the group met again on October 3, 2020 to continue the process.

The grounds look great and even the gutters on the rectory were cleaned. The Association is in the process of spreading two loads of black dirt, donated to us by Tholen's Nursery, to fill holes in the lawn.

The fascia, soffits, and garage doors on the rectory have been expertly painted by a skilled volunteer.

Thanks to all who helped with the clean-up. We are so appreciative of the group of volunteers who come monthly to clean and spruce up the inside of the chapel, as well as our tireless board member who leads them.

Thanks to all of our generous and productive volunteers. We could not operate without you. If you would like to help, please call 815-573-5455. Any kind of help is appreciated.

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