

Stewardship Day



**PLANTING SEEDS OF STEWARDSHIP
THROUGH OUR SERVICE FOR OTHERS**

**Saturday, June 3, 2017
9:30am-12:00pm**

St. Rose of Lima Church, 50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, NJ 07078

On Saturday, June 3, 2017 St. Rose of Lima Church is hosting a special morning of service.

There are a variety of stewardship opportunities for you to participate in. Projects are designed for families, couples, and singles and for all ages from toddlers to senior citizens. There are options for everyone!

In this booklet you will find details on each project and, where pertinent, information on the organization we will be serving.

This event is a great way to meet new people, have fun with long-time friends and provide valuable service to those in need. We hope you can join us on Saturday, June 3rd. Working together we can positively impact the lives of those in need.

Don't Miss it!

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Murphy at 973-376-1960 x3966 or smurphy@stroseshorthills.org.

Registration Instructions

1. Please review this packet to determine the project you would like to participate in.
2. Family members may sign-up for different projects based on personal interest, however, children under age 12 must be accompanied by one parent/adult. Children 12-18 without a parent/adult must complete a permission slip.
3. Many of the projects have limits to the number of volunteers who are able to participate so please return your form as promptly as possible to insure your spot. Forms will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. We will do our best to accommodate your requests, however, once an activity is fully subscribed we will have to use your 2nd choice.
4. Complete the enclosed Registration Form by May 31st and return by:
 - Mail to: Stewardship Day, St. Rose of Lima, 50 Short Hills Ave., Short Hills, NJ 07078
 - Fax to: 973-379-5356
 - Drop off: In marked boxes located in the church and the vestibule of the Devine Center
5. Confirmation of assignments will be sent out in advance.

Program Structure

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| 9:30AM | Arrival and Check-in at St. Rose |
| 9:40AM | Gathering Prayer and Sending |
| 9:45AM | Leave to project assignments |
| 12:00PM | Complete Work |
| 12:05PM | Return to St. Rose Church |



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True charity requires courage; let us overcome the fear of getting our hands dirty so as to help those in need.

Pope Francis

ADMINISTRATIVE HELP:

If you're not available on June 3rd or can't stay for the whole morning on June 3rd we can use help the week prior and early on the morning of the event.

Supply Shopping/Project prep work:

Prior to the day (May 31-June 2): Volunteers are needed to assist with purchasing of supplies and various prep work.

Time: Various

Age Restrictions: Adults and high school teens only

Event Day Registration:

On the day (June 3): Volunteers are needed for sign-in/registration, and general assistance.

Time: Various

Age Restrictions: Adults and high school teens only.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE EARTH

No Place Like Home (Clean up at St. Rose)

Description of the project:

We have a large campus and there are always special projects on our “wish list”. No special skills are required and this project is appropriate for families and adults of all ages and physical abilities.



1. General Grounds Clean-up

Clean various planting beds, deadheading plantings, pruning, raking, etc.

2. Convent and Dougherty Center Plantings

Plant flower beds in front of the Convent and Dougherty Center.



Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: None but children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent.

HUNGER ASSISTANCE

St Rose Food Pantry Garden (Vegetable and Herb Planting)

Description of the project:

1.1 million people in New Jersey are food insecure. According to the 2016 Feeding American “Map the Meal Gap” report, the highest concentration of food insecurity in the state is in Essex County. Access to fresh produce is a luxury that few ever enjoy.

Description of the project:

We will be planting the raised beds behind the convent with a variety of vegetables and herbs. These will be harvested on an ongoing basis and provided to the Pierre Toussaint Food Pantry at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church & School in Newark and other organizations.

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: None but children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent.



HUNGER ASSISTANCE—CONTINUED

Cooking Ministry

St Rose of Lima partners with a number of charitable organizations that provide much needed services to their clients.



Description of the project:

Volunteers will prepare ingredients and cook casseroles to be delivered to various outreach ministries.

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: No age restrictions, but children under 12 year must be accompanied by a parent.

COLLECTING AND SORTING

New Eyes for the Needy

New Eyes purchases new eyeglasses for poor children and adults in the United States and recycles donated glasses for distribution to indigent people in developing nations worldwide. Since their founding in 1932, New Eyes has brought improved vision and hope for a better future to over 8,000,000 people in the U.S. and around the world.



Description of the Project:

Sort and test donated eyeglasses for distribution in developing nations worldwide.

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: 14 years and older



SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Operation Shoebox NJ

OSB was established in 2005 and is dedicated to collecting donated supplies and shipping care packages to U.S. troops based in Iraq, Afghanistan and other Middle East countries. Over 100,000 total packages have been shipped to U.S. military personnel.



Description of the project:

Volunteers will assemble care packages for soldiers stationed overseas. Help is needed to: sort/package purchased and donated items, write notes/letters to troops and fill out customs forms to be used in shipping.

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: None but children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent.

*****Volunteers are needed to help transport supplies and boxes to and from Operation Shoebox NJ headquarters in Hillsborough, NJ. prior to and after the event.*****

ASSISTANCE TO OTHERS

Interfaith Hospitality Network of Essex County

The IHN of Essex County helps homeless families who are in need of shelter. Families are provided a place to stay and three meals a day by housing them at a network of churches and synagogues. While in the shelter network, IHN works with each family to develop a plan that addresses the issues that led to their homelessness. Goals are set and parents are compassionately guided to take the steps necessary to find a home and become self-sufficient.



Description of the project:

Volunteers will assemble care packages to be used by children and families during the summer.

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00 PM

Age Restrictions: None but children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent.



Stewardship Day Registration Form

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017

Family Name: _____

For Office Use

Home Phone: _____

Date rcvd: _____

E-Mail: _____

Name of Family Member	Project 1st Choice	Project 2nd Choice	Age(Children under 18)

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- Drop off: In marked box in vestibule of the church and the Devine Center

Deadline for registration is May 31

**Saint Rose of Lima
50 Short Hills Avenue
Short Hills, NJ 07078
973-376-1960**

**PERMISSION SLIP FOR CHILDREN 12 AND OVER WHO WILL NOT BE
ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN**

Your child is scheduled to participate in **Stewardship Day on Saturday, June 3, 2017**. Children 12 years and older may attend without a parent, however, a permission slip is required for each child. For off-site projects students will be transported to the locations either by, parish van or carpools.

Please complete and return this form to Stewardship Day, St. Rose of Lima, 50 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, NJ 07078, drop off at the Devine Center or by fax at 973-379-5356.

I authorize my child _____, to participate in **Stewardship Day on Saturday, June 3rd**. My child is scheduled to participate in _____
(name of activity)

In the event of an emergency, I request that I, or my designee(s), be contacted at the number(s) listed below. If the staff is unable to reach me, or my designee(s) I hereby authorize the staff to make any and all appropriate arrangements deemed necessary, including transporting my child to an emergency room by means of an ambulance.

Mother's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Cell or Other #: _____

Cell or Other #: _____

Name of Other Contact Person: _____

Phone # _____

Cell or Other # _____

Relationship: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian

Print Parent/Guardian Name