

Ste. Rose de Lima Church, 600 Grattan St., Chicopee, MA
Tel. 413-536-4558 ~~~~~ Pastor: Rev. William A. Tourigny

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord +++ March 28, 2021

Readings: + Isaiah 50:4-7 +Philippians 2:6-11 +Mark 14:1-15:47

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK	
Mar 27 – Saturday	4:00 PM Raymond Hamel (5 th Ann) by his children (resked 3/28/2020)
Mar 28 – Sunday	7:30 AM Greg Granger by Peggy Constant
Palm Sunday	9:00 AM Monique & Alain Veilleux by husband, Gabriel & family (resked 3/29/20) 11:00 AM Richard Fugere (B'day rem) by Mom, Dad & family (resked 3/29/20) 4:00 PM Claude Dion (10 th Ann) by his wife Helen & daughters (resked 3/29/2020)
Mar 29– Monday	7:00 AM Marietta Chapdelaine by Mildred Chapdelaine
Mar 30 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Therese Mathieu by Paul & Rita Brault
Mar 31 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Nelson Labrie by wife, Theresa & family
Apr 01 – Holy Thursday	7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
Apr 02 – Good Friday	3:00 PM Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
Apr 03 –Holy Saturday	8:00 PM Easter Vigil
Apr 04 –Easter Sunday	7:30 AM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
The Resurrection of the Lord	9:00 AM Cosimo & Maria Teresa Pisano by the Contabile family (resked 4/12/20) 11:00 AM Bruna & Umberto Manno & Raffale Ciccarelli by Angelina Manno & family—(resked 4/12/20)
	No 4:00 PM Mass

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 3/21/21 Offertory: \$7,273.50
School Support \$2,215.00 – Thank you!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 3/21/2021 was not available at the time of posting. It will be announced next week.

THE STE. ROSE MEMORIAL FUND is grateful for \$100.00 in gifts in Loving Memory of Irene Piskorski. Thank you.

THE 2021 PASCHAL CANDLE has been donated in Loving Memory of: Olivier, Lucille & Marc Ringuette by their family. Thank you!

APRIL MEMORIALS: HOSTS in Loving Memory of Amber & Umberto Manno by the family.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Wilfred (Junior) Peloquin, and Aimee DesRochers. May they rest in God's eternal peace.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed at 3:00PM on Good Friday, April 2nd in the Church.

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,
Pastoral Center Window Project***

The window project at the Pastoral Center is now completed. The aluminum trim has been installed on all the trim work giving the building a nice clean appearance. The goal is to eliminate future maintenance – that is the scraping and re-painting of the exterior trim. Hopefully, the remainder of the windows will be replaced next year: the second-floor windows and the attic windows. When looking at the building compare the second floor with the first floor – you will see the difference. The basement windows were completed a few years ago.

The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

As of March 1, 2021, there are 206 contributors to the ACA with one-time gifts/pledges totaling \$25,852. In the name of our new bishop, William Byrne, I thank you for your quick response to this annual appeal. The campaign is now in full swing! You may contribute either through the direct mailing materials, on-line, or with in the materials that are now available in church. No amount is too small or too large! For on-line contributions go to www.diospringfield.org and click on the ACA link displaying this year's theme: Sowing the Seeds. Do not forget to designate St Rose de Lima as your parish as you make your on-line gift. It will add to the accumulating number of contributors and the amount contributed to this year's ACA. Thank you!

Palm Sunday – Holy Week 2021 -Easter

One year ago, due to the lock down because of the pandemic, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter were unable to be celebrated publicly. This year, as restrictions are slowly being lifted, Ste. Rose de Lima Parish will celebrate Holy Week and Easter publicly. Palm will be distributed but, in a manner consistent with protocol due to the virus. Palm will be handed to worshippers by volunteers who will be wearing PPE hand gloves directly from the plastic in which the palm was shipped. Please be certain to bring home the palm given, otherwise, once it is handled by each worshipper the palm will need to be discarded. The Mass schedule is the normal weekend schedule.

On **Monday of Holy Week**, the Diocese will celebrate the **Chrism Mass at 7:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Michael**. Bishop Byrne will bless the Oil of the Infirm used for the celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick, the Oil of Salvation used in the Sacrament of Baptism, and the Oil of Sacred Chrism used at Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders.

Holy Thursday Mass – The Mass of the Last Supper – will be celebrated at **7:00 PM**; however, due to the pandemic, the “washing of the feet” will be eliminated. At the conclusion of the Mass of the Last Supper the church will remain open for one hour for a “holy hour” of private prayer at the request of Bishop Byrne for the sole intention to pray for vocations in the diocese. To date, there is not a single

seminarian for a five-year period. Therefore, please plan to spend some time in private prayer Holy Thursday evening. The Holy Eucharist will be distributed as is usual at the Holy Thursday Mass due to the “Holy Hour” which is to be observed immediately following the conclusion of the Holy Thursday Mass at the Altar of Reposition.

Good Friday will consist of **The Stations of the Cross at 3:00 PM** and the **Good Friday Service at 7:00PM**. However, due to the pandemic individual reverencing of the Cross will not be observed. Instead, the Cross will be presented with a general reverence as a hymn will be sung. The Holy Eucharist will be distributed at the conclusion of the Good Friday Service.

Holy Saturday or the Easter Vigil will begin at 8:00 PM due to Daylight Savings Time. A gentle reminder: There is no celebration of The Eucharist at 4:00 PM on the vigil of Easter. The Easter Vigil will include the blessing of the Easter fire and the lighting of the Easter (Paschal) Candle. Due to COVID protocol the congregation will not be able to hold a “congregational candle.” The primary reason being it is not possible to extinguish the candle while wearing a mask. Secondly, once the candle has been touched it must be thrown away.

In all situations, processions are to be eliminated in keeping with COVID 19 protocol. The distribution of Holy Eucharist will continue as is the “new normal” during the COVID protocols.

Easter Sunday Masses are as follows: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, and 11:00 AM. There will be no celebration of the Eucharist at 4:00PM on Easter Sunday.

Fr Bill

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS Bishop Byrne invites Catholics throughout the Diocese of Springfield to a special holy hour for vocations following Holy Thursday Mass in your parish. Can you spend one hour with the Lord at the Altar of Repose praying for priests and for vocations to the priesthood? Join Bishop Byrne from 8pm-9pm at the Altar of Repose in your parish for this special hour of prayer for our priests and future priests of the Diocese.

APRIL 2, 2021 - GOOD FRIDAY DRIVE-UP FISH DINNER TO GO At Knights of Columbus Council 4044, Memorial Drive, Chicopee. \$10.00 per meal – cash or check. Meal includes: Haddock, Rice Pilaf, Carrots. You must order by 5PM Wednesday, March 31st. To order call Elaine 413-533-3620 or 413-530-9594. Pick up under the canopy between 4:00-6:00PM.

THE EASTER EGG HUNT IS ON!!! We’re pleased to announce that we will hold our traditional Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Morning following the 9AM Mass. We’re anxious to greet our little ones on Easter morning with this “Eggciting” activity! Thank you to all who donated to this event.

THIS LENTEN SEASON, we are called to prayerfully consider a sacrificial donation to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. “Sowing the Seeds” of our faith will sow the seeds of hope to those who most need our help during this time of COVID. Ministries and agencies provide emergency food, support services to the family and elderly; services to young people; pastoral and spiritual support services and supports vocations. Please help our parish of St. Rose meet our goal! It is simple to give... send in your one-time contribution, or make a pledge using the donation card you received in the mail, or donate online through www.diospringfield.org/aca or by calling: 413-452-0670. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN: Ste. Rose has a team of volunteers who prepare and package the dinner meal at Lorraine's Soup Kitchen on the third Thursday of each month. We are currently in need of volunteers. Please contact Louise King at 413-313-3685 for more information. Thank you!

THE REV. FRANCIS SHANNON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are now available to members of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish high school graduates or college students who wish to further their education. The applications are available at the Ste. Rose de Lima Pastoral Center or from Mary Rider, Chairperson at 413-533-2437. The Scholarship is a one-time grant. Completed applications must be returned to the Chairperson by May 15, 2021 with an official transcript of high school or college grades and a letter from their Pastor stating that the applicant is an active and participating member of the parish. Students who are former members of St. Mary's Parish in Willimansett and were enrolled in their CCD program at the time the church was closed may also apply.

SAVE THE DATE! After 3 successful years, the SJA PTO will be holding our *Savers FUNDrive* again this Spring. Think of us when doing your spring cleaning. We will be accepting bags of gently used clothes, bath, and linen items at the Ste. Rose Rectory garage on May 15th 2021 (9-1PM) to raise money for the St. Joan of Arc School. (No furniture or books) *More details to follow.

HOMEWORK HOUSE is offering free virtual after school tutoring services to elementary school children in need of extra academic support. Students in Holyoke as well as surrounding communities can take advantage of this individualized support at no cost. This service will be provided for students in 1st to 6th grade. All tutoring is provided in a safe virtual environment with qualified tutors. To make an appointment for tutoring, or for more information about the program, please visit HomeworkHouseHolyoke.org, contact Angel Coriano, director of Programs at 413-887-2012, or email him at acoriano@homeworkhouseholyoke.org

**OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, WESTFIELD
IS SPONSORING A VIRTUAL LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES**

This year the Speaker Series will be 'virtual,' available on YouTube, with a great line-up of speakers – beginning with our new **Bishop William Byrne!** Our theme for this year's Speaker Series is: **'KEEPING FAITH DURING THE PANDEMIC - GOD'S GOT THIS!'** *An opportunity to find the blessings during this challenging time of the Pandemic, with our eyes set on Easter Joy!* Other speakers will include author, speaker, radio show host – **Gary Zimak** - who will touch on many themes of his book - *'Give Up Worry for Lent'* (available through the OLBS Parish Office for \$10.00). Additional speakers include - **Sr. Bethany Madonna, Fr. Mike Schmitz, April Helenek, and Fr. Chris Alar.** Join us each **Wednesday of Lent, beginning February 24 through March 31, at 6:30 pm,** or watch the video any time after that on YouTube. There is no cost for this Series! **Options to access the Series online: (1) Go to Youtube.com and type in the search field 'OLBS Westfield Lent' or (2) Go to either diospringfield.org OR diospringfield.org/olbs and click on the link.** For additional information, contact the OLBS Parish Office at 413-562-3450.

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.