

## ***Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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***February 27, 2022***

***Readings: + Sirach 27:4-7 + 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 + Luke 6:39-45***

### ***STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK***

Feb 26– Saturday	4:00 PM Alfred & Lillian Boisselle by the family
Feb 27 – Sunday	7:30 AM Blessed Anne Marie Rivier by grateful SJA Alumni
Eighth Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Lillian Glover by the family
	11:00 AM Jeannette Labonte by Denise & family
	4:00 PM Mr. & Mrs. George Fontaine by Susan & Elaine
Feb 28– Monday	7:00 AM The Desrochers family by Rita & family
Mar 01 - Tuesday	7:00 AM The Souls in Purgatory
	<b>ASHES DISTRIBUTED DURING THESE WEDNESDAY MASSES</b>
Mar 02 – Wednesday	<b>7:00 AM</b> Wayne R. Lancto (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by daughter, Lisa & Joseph and grandchildren, A.J. & Stella
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b> Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
	<b>6:30 PM</b> The Bilodeau & Nolette family by Jeannette
Mar 03 – Thursday	7:00 AM Donald Mercier by his sister, Dee
Mar 04 – Friday	7:00 AM The Souls in Purgatory
Mar 05 – Saturday	4:00 PM Henry Courchesne by Irene
Mar 06 –Sunday	7:30 AM Rita LeBlanc by her husband, Gerard & family
First Sunday of Lent	9:00 AM Lisa Cote by James & Rita O'Dell
	11:00 AM Steve Loughery by Peggy Sullivan Bergeron
	4:00 PM Henry & Yvonne Lepage by their family

***BINGO 2/26/2022 Team 3***

***PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 2/20/2022*** Offertory: \$7,879.00

School Support: \$2,989.00 *Thank you!*

***SJA BOOSTER CLUB 2/20/2022 #134*** Phyllis LaCasse

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** the souls and families of Craig Asselin, Patrick Donahue, Patricia James, Howard Patrick, Pierre Dorval and Lucille Page. May their souls and all the souls of our faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.

**MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup> IS ASH WEDNESDAY.** Ashes will be distributed during the 7AM – 9AM and 6:30PM Masses. Packets of Ashes will be available for our homebound parishioners. They are on a table in front of the pulpit.

### **LENTEN REGULATIONS:**

- 1/ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat as well as days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed. +On days of fast two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.
- 2/ The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
- 3/ The obligation to abstain from meat begins at fourteen (14) years of age.
- 4/ The obligation to fast begins at eighteen (18) years of age and ends at fifty-nine (59) years of age.
- 5/ Although the faithful may excuse themselves for a just cause from these laws of fast and abstinence, there is an obligation to substitute another penance and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten Season.

### ***Dear Ste. Rose Parishioners,***

*It is with a heavy heart that I write this. My husband and I have decided to put our house on the market in April 2022 and move to Tennessee. When I began working here as the Director of Religious Education in August of 2013, I only knew Fr. Bill. You have all made me feel so welcomed and loved over these years. I will be here at least through the end of our CCD season, May 8<sup>th</sup>. I will miss you all terribly. Thank you so much for all your kind words and for the support that you have extended to me during my time here at Ste. Rose. It means so much! Please know that you will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers as we begin this new chapter in our lives.*

*Much peace and love to all,*

***Cindee Gagnon***

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** will take place on the First Tuesday of March, 3/1/2022 from 6:30PM to 8:00PM in the Pastoral Center Chapel, 15 Chapel Street.

**On First Friday**, 3/4/2022 from 7:30AM to 3PM, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will also take place in the Pastoral Center Chapel. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow with Benediction at 3PM. Please feel free to join us in these Eucharistic Devotions.

**MARCH MEMORIALS: Hosts:** In Honor of St. Jude for prayers answered by the Ruell & Dulong family.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** In Loving Memory of James Thomas Tucker and Victor & Novia Geoffroy by Anita & family.

**SYNOD 2021-2023 How are we journeying together? What would you tell Pope Francis? What would you tell Bishop Byrne?** Pope Francis has invited the universal Catholic Church to gather and reflect on communion, participation, and mission within the Church and society at large. Join your neighbors and parishioners here in western Massachusetts in this consultation and dialogue process. Sessions will be held throughout the diocese during March and April. Volunteers are needed to help organize and facilitate! Contact the diocesan Synod Team at [synod@diospringfield.org](mailto:synod@diospringfield.org) or by calling 413-452-0571. Complete information including scheduled consultations can be found at [www.diospringfield.org/synod](http://www.diospringfield.org/synod)

**NEW BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST.** The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In his video-based study “*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*”, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. **JOIN US** for “*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*” at **Ste. Rose de Lima downstairs in the church hall beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30-8:30 PM and continuing every Thursday for five (5) weeks.** Each participant receives a study set that includes book, workbook, and online access for \$26.95. For info or to register for the study, call Julie Prats 413-626-2925 or Deacon Dan Prats at 413-478-8255.

**LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES AT OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT -- Wednesdays March 9th - 30th at 6:30PM.** Join us for ***The Eucharist: The Real Presence of Jesus***, the 2022 Lenten Speaker Series at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church, 127 Holyoke Road, Westfield. The series kicks off **March 9** with our own **Bishop William Byrne** as speaker who will also lead a short period of Adoration. Simultaneously, that evening in our parish center, **Deacon Mike Pray, Brian Kelly and their families** will lead Adoration for families with children (toddlers to age 10). The evening of **March 16** will feature inspiring witness talks given by **Fr. Paul Norman, Hayden Cowart and Tim Murphy**. On **March 23** our speaker will be **Master Chief Edward Byers Jr., Navy Seal and Medal of Honor Recipient**, who will tell of the events in his time in Afghanistan, which led to his being awarded the Medal of Honor, and his devotion to St. Michael, and to the Eucharist. Master Chief Byers is a member of the Knights of Columbus. All Veterans and Knights of Columbus members are especially invited to attend this evening. The series will wrap up on **March 30** with a talk by **Eileen Wood**, as well as a display, on **Eucharistic Miracles**. This Series is not to be missed!

**COVID TESTING** is being held **every Wednesday** at the Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel Street from **9AM to 12 Noon** while there is a need, until further notice. No appointment required. Walk-ins welcome.

#### **EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FOCUS:** *From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.*

We all know there are times when something “slips out” in our speech. There are times when we perform some questionable action or react more strongly than we intended. The Scriptures today alert us to the relationship of what is in our hearts and minds with what is on our lips. Only goodness can overcome evil and produce goodness – as incorruptibility and immortality overcome that which is corrupt and mortal, and as Jesus Christ overcame the sting of death.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Sirach writes of revealing the qualities of things: pottery in a furnace, a shaken sieve, the fruit of a tree, and the speech of a person. In the second reading, Paul affirms Jesus’ victory over sin and death. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that a person with a store of goodness in his or her heart produces good, while a store of evil produces evil.

Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary

**EUCCHARISTIC PARISH MISSION St. John the Evangelist Parish**, 833 Main St., Agawam Invites you to a three evening Eucharistic Parish Mission: ***Using a Eucharistic Lens to Understand our Faith***. Each evening will be from **6:30-7:30PM**. // **Sunday, Feb. 27** – “*The Eucharist in the Old Testament*” // **Monday, Feb. 28** “*The Eucharist as the Goal of Christ’s Public Ministry*” // **Tuesday, Mar. 1** “*From Resurrection to Today and Beyond – The Eucharist Remains with Us*.” (Refreshments & Fellowship to follow the last night from 7:30-8:30PM.) Our Speaker will be Daniel Baillargeon, PHD. National Speaker and Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Springfield. ALL AGES are welcome to attend. Babysitting is available for younger children (7 & under) **PLEASE PRE-REGISTER** by calling the St. John Parish Office 413-786-8105 or register online at <https://signup.com/go/MXYuikS>

**SAVE THE DATE!** 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 on **April 23, 2022 (9-12)** to raise money for St Joan of Arc School. (No furniture or books) \*More details to follow\*.

**YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST** “Go to Communion to receive the graces which your need... For if you communicate often and worthily, your thoughts, your desires, your actions, and all your undertakings will have the same end as those of Jesus Christ when he was on earth. You will love God, you will be touched by your neighbor’s troubles, spiritual and temporal, and you will not think for a moment of attaching yourselves to earth; henceforth in heart and mind you will live only for heaven.” St. John Vianney, Eucharistic Meditations: 13<sup>th</sup> Meditation. For more information and videos check out [www.yearoftheeucharist.net](http://www.yearoftheeucharist.net).

**Year of the Eucharist Prayer:** *Jesus, I believe that you are truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist. In you I place my whole family. Heal our wounds and renew us in heart and mind with a greater reverence, devotion and love for you in the Holy Eucharist.*

*Our Lady, first tabernacle of the Word made flesh, intercede on our behalf to your Son, especially for the Diocese of Springfield and our priests. Through their love for the priesthood and the Eucharist, may they inspire young men to the priesthood that the Mass may continue to be offered so that we may be nourished with your Son’s Body and Blood. Guide especially our youth to your Church so that they may thrive by knowing the truth that only comes from Jesus.*

*Most Holy Trinity, I adore you!*

*My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament.*

**STE. ROSE DE LIMA GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** is for people who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, family member or friend. All are welcome! Join us at the Ste. Rose de Lima Pastoral Center, We meet every Monday except major holidays from 6:00-7:00PM. Moderators are Madelyn Korytko formerly of the Mercy Medical Ctr. Grief Group and Peggy Constant, Pastoral Minister.

**THE 2022 MASS BOOK has openings.** The offering for a Mass is \$10.00. There are still plenty of weekday Masses remaining for 2022.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE SERVED** following the 9:00 AM Mass this Sunday. If you’re interested in helping serve coffee and donuts once a month, please speak to one of today’s servers or call the Pastoral Center 413-536-4558. Thanks!

**PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND** A pilgrimage to the Holy Land is planned for May 8 – 19, 2022. Msgr. Yargeau, Deacon Nolan and Deacon DeCarlo will be with us. For more information, call Helen Shea Murphy at 413-824-8733.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD IS HELD ON SUNDAYS at the 9:00AM Mass** . This Liturgy of the Word presentation is specifically geared toward young children to assist them in developing a love for the Word of God proclaimed at Sunday Mass. Facilitated by our DRE, Cindee Gagnon.

**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2023 DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD TRIP TO WORLD YOUTH DAY HAS NOW OPENED.** Our official pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon Portugal for World Youth Day will take place July 28 to August 8, 2023 and is an incredible opportunity for youth and young adults (ages 18-35 in 2023) to encounter Christ with several million youth from around the world who share their faith. For more information, to watch the recording of the November 16 virtual info session, or to register, go to: <https://www.youngandcatholic.org/get-involved/worldyouthday>

**PINK ENVELOPE FOR SJA SCHOOL SUPPORT** On the third weekend of the month, the second collection (*the pink envelope*) is for the benefit of St. Joan of Arc School. The bookkeeping and banking of this collection has changed; therefore, it's important to ask that checks be made payable to St. Joan of Arc School. The bank will only process checks made payable to SJA. In advance, your cooperation is appreciated. Your ongoing generosity to SJA School is impressive and is also appreciated

**PRO-LIFE** We now have a bulletin board and table in the vestibule of the church that is dedicated to Pro-Life issues. The bulletin board will provide you with Pro-Life issues and events. The table will offer Pro-Life pamphlets and other informational materials. Please stop and read about the concerns of the Church and essential information regarding this very important issue. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike at 536-4558 or see Jane Fortin.

**MARCH 29, 2022: TWIN HILL COUNTRY CLUB, LONGMEADOW, MA *The Miracle of Life Banquet*** is Clearway Clinic's annual fundraising event. Clearway Clinic is a faith-based nonprofit committed to rescuing men, women and children from abortion and abortion trauma. 100% of banquet donations go to supporting the life-saving work of the clinic. The keynote speaker for this year's event is **Ben Watson, Retired NFL New England Patriots Tight End and Pro-Life Champion**. In addition to being a retired NFL pro, Ben is a husband, father of seven children, a man of faith, a commentator, and an outspoken advocate for the sanctity of life. Tickets are available on-line for the "life-saving" event: [www.clearwayclinic.com](http://www.clearwayclinic.com)

**THE 2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** As of August 4, 2021, there are **436** Ste. Rose parishioner participants who have contributed **\$54,500.00** to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you! To contribute, log onto the diocesan website: [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org) and click on to the ACA banner. On-line contributions can be either one-time or a pledge. All major credit cards are accepted. No gift is too small; no gift is too large to assist the Diocese of Springfield in serving the needs of our brothers and sisters who seek assistance from the diocese or from the many agencies that are funded by the ACA. Thank You!

**GIRL SCOUTING** Girls from kindergarten through high school are encouraged to join us. Adults interested in volunteering with Girl Scouting are also invited to contact [GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com](mailto:GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com) for info.

**CUB SCOUT RECRUITMENT** We are welcoming new members to our Cub Scout Pack held here at St. Rose de Lima. We have begun meeting again safely after a break due to the pandemic. We welcome families to check out scouting for your youngster/s ages 5-10 or K through Grade 5. If you're interested, the best way to reach the Chicopee Scouting team is by email. Please email us at [cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com](mailto:cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com) and we'll get back to you. Thank you and welcome to Scouting.

**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.***

**40 HOUR DEVOTION SCHEDULE FOR 2022 FOR THE SPRINGFIELD DIOCESE**

March 3-6, Saint Joseph's, Shelburne Falls

March 31-April 3, Saint Francis of Assisi, Belchertown

May 5-8, Saint John Paul II, Adams

June 2-5, Our Lady of the Valley, Easthampton

June 30-July 3, Marian Fathers, Stockbridge

August 4-7, Saint Stanislaus Basilica, Chicopee

September 1-4, Saint Mary's, Ware