

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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September 3, 2023

Readings: + Jeremiah 20: 7-9 + Romans 12: 1-2 + Matthew 16: 21-27

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sept 2 - Saturday	4:00 PM	Zig Babski by his wife & daughters
Sept 3 - Sunday	7:30 AM	Matthew Lawrence by Paul & Rita Brault
22nd Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM	Manuel Oliveira (birthday remembrance) by Ormindia Oliveira & family
	11:00 AM	Henry & Jeannette Labonte by Karen, Andrea & family
	4:00 PM	Joseph Bonavita by Coffee & Donut Social Hour members
Sept 4 - Monday	7:00 AM	Roland Lussier (anniversary) by his children and grandchildren
Sept 5 - Tuesday	7:00 AM	Robert Paul (wedding anniversary remembrance) by his wife
Sept 6 - Wednesday	7:00 AM	Marilyn Frye by Marion Byrnes
Sept 7 - Thursday	7:00 AM	Matthew Lawrence (birthday remembrance) by David Brault
Sept 8 - Friday	7:00 AM	Doris Arpin (1 st Anniversary) by Mary Rider
Sept 9 - Saturday	4:00 PM	Edna Girouard (17 th Anniversary) by her family
Sept 10 - Sunday	7:30 AM	M/M Pion & M/M Ed Nally by Isabelle Nally
23rd Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM	Albert Arpin by Doris & family
	11:00 AM	The Desrochers & Gagnon families BY Rita & family
	4:00 PM	Judy Patrick (25 th Anniversary) by husband Bill & sons Tim & Matt

BINGO 09/03/2023 Team 2

+ PARISH STEWARDSHIP 08/27/2023

Offertory \$ 7062.15

Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Joseph Pereira, Loraine Breault, Marvin Hill, Catherine Laflamme and Ruth Sinowski. May their souls and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS: HOSTS in loving memory of: Ernest & Yvette Guyette by the family.

SANCTUARY LAMP in loving memory of: the Roux / Hotte families by Normand & Denise.

STE. ROSE PARISH PICNIC Sunday September 10th at the K of C, Granby Road. See website for more details. Tickets & Raffle Tickets are still available through the Ste. Rose Pastoral Center.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday, September 6, 2023 6:30 pm at the Pastoral Center.

ST. JOAN OF ARCH SCHOOL –OPENING DAY – Welcome back students!! St. Joan of Arc's first day of school for grades 1-8 was Tuesday, August 29th. Great opening week! Pre-K and Kindergarten's first day of school is Tuesday, September 5th.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE – As of 8/24/2023 330 St. Rose parishioners have contributed \$46,322.00. Every contribution counts, so please consider your gift if you have not already done so. Thank you! Go to www.diospringfield.org/aca or call 413-452-0670 to make your contribution today. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your continued support & generosity.

UPDATE ON FATHER BILL'S RETIREMENT MASS AND CELEBRATION- MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, February 18, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m. with a free reception to follow downstairs in the Church Hall and will include hors d'oeuvres created by the Log Cabin, music by Sarah the Fiddler, desert, coffee, tea, soda and punch. Sign- up sheets will be available in the back of the church the weekends of January 13-14 and 27-28, 2024. We expect the Church to be full, so please mark your calendars now!

The parish council is looking forward to seeing all of you there and sending Fr. Bill off with a big bang! (even though he wants to keep it simple 😊).

NEW BOOSTER CLUB: August 27th begins the new club. Numbers are available for anyone interested in joining the next Club; proceeds support St. Joan of Arc School. The club will run from 8/27/23 to 1/7/24. Dues are \$5.00 per week (\$100.00 for 20 weeks). There is a weekly \$100.00 winner. The final drawing has multiple winners, with prizes ranging from \$150.00 to \$1000.00, totaling \$5,000.00. If interested, please contact Sandy and Joe Chessey at (413) 592-6256.

Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,

Local Hospitals

The admission policy of our local hospitals: Baystate, Mercy, and Holyoke Medical Centers have changed often during the past several years due to COVID and advances in technology. While the hospitals are now high tech for admissions, one question that has been eliminated is the patient's "parish affiliation." Previously each parish had a code number, and the staff would be able to generate a list for the clergy, deacon, or pastoral minister thereby facilitating pastoral visits. Presently, there is no longer a code number for parish affiliation. The parish will not have any knowledge if either you or a loved one are hospitalized. If you would like either a pastoral visit or have the Sacrament of the Sick administered, please call the Pastoral Center.

Adult Altar Servers

The parish needs adult altar servers for service at The Liturgy of Christian Burial. Presently, our adult servers provide an incredible act of service for funeral Masses in the parish. The funeral Mass with adult servers offers the bereaving families a dignified celebration of the Mass. The new adult server is provided "on the job" training by experienced adult servers. If you are interested in being part of this service, please call the Pastoral Center. A server's alb will be provided for you.

Maui Collection

A few weeks ago, Maui experienced a devastating fire which not only consumed homes and livelihoods but also human lives. The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) has authorized a collection for Maui. If you wish to contribute to this relief effort, please write a check payable to Ste Rose de Lima Church and on the memo line write "Maui." Those funds will be forwarded to the diocese who will in turn forward those funds to Catholic Relief Services (CRS).

Welcome to our Ste. Rose de Lima Religious Education Program!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPENING DATES:		
BLESSING OF THE BACK PACKS -ALL GRADES-	Sept 17, 2023 @ 9:00 AM Mass	Grades
6-7-8	- Mass @ 9:00 followed by Classes 10:15-11:00AM.	
Grades 4 & 5	– Monday, September 18, 2023	3:30-4:30PM
Grades 2 & 3	– Monday, September 25, 2023	3:30-4:30PM
Grade 1	- Monday, October 2, 2023	3:30-4:30PM
Grade K	- Monday, October 2, 2023	3:30-4:30PM
High School students' Mass at 4:00 PM then we'll proceed to class in church hall. (Please note that Confirmation is a 3 year prep and all students preparing for Confirmation must attend 7 th , 8 th , and 9 th grade classes).		
Grade 9	Sunday September 17. 2023	4:00-6:00PM
Grade 10	Sunday, September 24, 2023	4:00-6:00PM

Registration fees still being accepted. Please make checks payable to St. Rose de Lima CCD or cash as noted to: St. Rose de Lima, 15 Chapel Street, Chicopee, MA 01020 Attn: Michael or place in the collection basket at Mass marked "CCD registration". We are also still in need of CCD Teachers. For grades 6-11, Michael, our DRE teaches the classes. However, a second adult in the classroom is needed. For grades K, 1st, and 3rd, we need teachers and assistants. For 4th & 5th grades, we need a temporary teacher and aid. Please email michael@sterose.org or call Michael Chirichella @ 413-536-4558.

RCIA- Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Perhaps you are thinking about what it means to be called to the Catholic way of life. The Church has a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A) whereby adults can learn and discern whether to become Catholic or receive the sacraments they have not received since they were baptized as an infant, usually at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Our goal is to help you on your spiritual journey as you come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the teachings of the Catholic Church, prayer and worship, and the community of Ste. Rose de Lima in Chicopee. To know more about the RCIA process, call the Parish Office @ 413-536-2558 and ask for Pastoral Minister Peggy Constant. Date will be announce soon.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS & USHERS – Training dates will be posted soon!

Eucharistic Ministers- assist priest at Mass with the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ. These ministers must be trained and commissioned to carry out this sacred duty.

Lectors- serve the community by proclaiming the Word of God through Scripture readings at all Masses.(Everyone must complete training and register at the Diocese)

Ushers- Assist the congregation with seating, direct the congregation during communion, and distribute parish bulletins. For information on any of our liturgical ministries please contact Peggy Constant, Pastoral Minister 413-536-4558 Ext 218

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO –\$35, 10 GAMES, 10 BAGS! St. Rose de Lima Bingo Fundraiser. Friday, October 13, 2023.Church Hall – 594 Grattan Street Doors open @ 5:00PM, Start time is 6:30PM. \$35 donation includes 10 games, a bingo marker, door prize tickets & light refreshments. Hot food available for purchase. Raffle baskets- including a lottery tree, Blackstone Grill- designer bags from Kate Spade, Michael Kors, Coach, Dooney & Bourke. Tickets, questions, call/text Chris @ 785-477-9536.

LECTIO DIVINA Do you want to have a fuller understanding of Sunday's Gospel? If you do, come and join us for Lectio Divina (divine reading). We meet on Monday nights at 6:30PM at the Pastoral Center. We study the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday Liturgy. Our first meeting for the coming year will be Monday, August 28th. We'll be looking at the Gospel for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary time; Matthew 16:21-27. It's recommended, but not necessary, that you bring a bible and a pad and pen for journaling. Hope to see you there.

THE WOMEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT is a women's group that is inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit. Where women of all ages from our Diocese come together to learn, be uplifted, and grow in their faith through prayer, fellowship, teachings, songs, movies, books, discussions and much more. We gather once a month on the second Saturday from 9:30 AM-12:00 at the Parish Center. As we begin another wonderful year starting on September 9th, we want to extend a big invitation and welcome to any women who are looking to strengthen and grow in their faith journey along with other wonderful sisters in Christ. If you would like more information, please contact Julie Prats at 626-2925.

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOCUS: Take up your cross, and follow me.

Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he would have to suffer, die, and be raised on the third day. The disciples did not immediately understand, but we know that those who wish to follow Jesus into eternal life must take up their cross as well. For whoever loses their life for Jesus' sake will find it.

LITURGY OF THE WORD In the first reading, Jeremiah bemoans the suffering he endures because of his faithfulness to the word of the Lord. In the reading from Romans, we are urged to offer our bodies as a *living sacrifice* and be transformed. In the Gospel, Jesus urges his disciples to take up their cross and follow him.

. Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary

WELCOME TO THE FORMER PARISHIONERS of Holy Name of Jesus. As we continue the transition for the Holy Name of Jesus Parishioners, we continue to say WELCOME and want to continue to provide you with all that you need to become part of this new family. **We remind you that if you wish to register** as a parishioner of Ste. Rose de Lima, or to reserve Masses for your deceased loved ones, please call 413-536-4558 or visit the Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee, MA. The office is open Mon-Thu 9AM-5PM and Fri 9AM-3PM. The staff looks forward to meeting you!

ST. ROSE CEMETERY. We are pleased to announce that the beautification project for St. Rose Cemetery is now complete. The crowning jewels are the brand new Veterans Memorial and the newly landscaped Holy Innocents section. Since the dedication ceremony for the Veterans Memorial, we have added 2 benches that were generously donated by American Legion Post 37, providing a resting spot for quiet reflection. We have also sealed all the pavers and added 45 new ones in addition to the original 340 installed in the front section. We have space to continue to add pavers on both sides leading up to the monument. If you would like to purchase a paver, forms are available in the church vestibule or at the Ste. Rose Pastoral Center on 15 Chapel St. You can call the center at 413-536-45558 for more information or to request a form. Thank you to everyone who helped support this project. We encourage everyone to visit our beautiful cemetery.

CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY GROUP Due to unforeseen circumstances the Chosen Bible Study group will be postponed until late August. Updates will be coming at a later date. - *Peggy Constant, Pastoral Minister*

HOLD THE DATE - Saturday, September 30th from 9:00-11 a.m. In partnership with St. Rose de Lima Parish and St. Joan of Arc School, we will be hosting a shredding event at SJA School in the Trilby Street Parking Lot, 587 Grattan Street. ****Free Will Donation is Appreciated****

SJA PRE-SCHOOL St. Joan of Arc School currently has full and part-time Preschool 3 & 4 year old openings for the fall. Before and after school care, Kindergarten readiness programs, affordable tuition, and a welcoming, safe and secure school community are just some of the reasons to give us a call, or come take a tour. We would love to meet you! Visit our website - sjachicopee.org or call us at 413-533-1475.

ST. JOAN of ARC SCHOOL ~ Pre-K to Grade 8, 587 Grattan St., Chicopee, MA. SJA offers Affordable Tuition & Extended Care ~ Free Breakfast & Lunch ~ Extracurricular Programs ~ Technology ~ Phys. Ed ~ Music ~ Library ~ Duolingo ~ Welcoming, Safe & Secure School Community ~ Social, Physical, Spiritual & Intellectual Wellness ~ Easy Access to I391 and I90 ~ Tuition Assistance Available. Visit: sjachicopee.org or call the school for a tour 533-1475.

LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN is in need of Volunteers. If you have a few hours of free time each month, Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Pantry could greatly use your help. Meal preparation assistance is needed on the **third Thursday of each month from 1PM to approximately 3PM**. Please call Louise 413-313-3685 for more information.

LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN & PANTRY IS HOLDING A GOLF TOURNAMENT on **Wednesday, September 13, 2023 9AM-5PM** at the **Chicopee Country Club**. Shotgun Start 9:00AM. Please visit Lorraine's website to download the brochure to register or to be a sponsor. www.lorrainessoupkitchen.com You may also contact Jeff Cady at jcady@charter.net

URGENT REQUEST - COFFEE & DONUTS are offered in the Church Hall every Sunday following the 9:00AM Mass. Please come down and enjoy one another's company over a cup of coffee and a sweet treat!! Join the team!! We're looking for men and women to assist on a regular basis at coffee and donuts. If interested, please see one of the servers. Please contact Darlene Proulx 413-209-6680

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR BULLETIN COVER ADVERTISERS. We thank all the businesses and organizations who support our bulletin with their ads. Please support their businesses when you're in need of the services they offer. Thank you.

STE. ROSE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP- We meet every **Monday at 6:00PM** at the St. Rose Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel Street, Chicopee. We welcome all who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, family member or friend. Meetings are every Monday with the exception of major holidays. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact the Pastoral Center 536-4558.

THE MASS BOOK FOR 2024 has now been opened. We still have weekday Masses available for 2023. The offering for Masses is \$10.00 each.

BECOME A HOSPICE VOLUNTEER!!!

Make a difference in someone's life. Provide your gift of time to our hospice patients and their caregivers with Baystate Hospice. Free on-line Hospice Training Classes. Volunteers of all types needed: companions, vigil volunteers, veteran volunteers, hairdressers and more. For information, please contact Lynn Landry, Volunteer Coordinator at 413-798-5452 or email: LYNN.LANDRY2@BAYSTATEHEALTH.ORG

K of C COUNCIL 4044 on Memorial Drive

+SPAGHETTI SUPPERS are back! They take place on the **2nd Wednesday of the month** from 4:30PM to 6:30PM. Spaghetti Supper is \$8.00, We now have a \$6.00 take-out option, as well.

SATURDAY ROSARY is prayed at 12 Noon in the Church. Please use the Chapel Street door using the stairs (near the elevator). Join us. For a ride, please call Crystal 413-627-8445.

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTER in West Hartford, CT offers weekend retreats for men, women, and couples. *Just before he departs this earth, Jesus says to his friends: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you...Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid."* (John 14:27). This season at Holy Family, we'll explore the theme, A Missing Peace, in the hope that together, through prayer, presentations and discussions, we can come closer to understanding how to achieve the peace Jesus meant for us to have, and equally important, to share in our families and in our world. Each retreat begins with a buffet dinner from 6 -7:30pm on Fri. evening and concludes Sunday with the celebration of Mass at 10:45am followed by a hot brunch at noon. For dates and more details see <http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats>, or contact Pat Branch, Retreat Promoter, at 860.749.4207.

DOLLY & FRIENDS PRESENT THE LINE-UP OF TRIPS FOR 2023.

*All trips include motorcoach transportation, meal tax and gratuities (including driver)

Make checks payable to: Dolly Asselin and mail to: P.O. Box 1192, Chicopee, MA 01021 with meal choice selected if applicable. All trips depart and return to Moose Club, 244 Fuller Rd, Chicopee, MA. For more info contact Dolly Asselin 413-530-3813.

7/ AMISH COUNTRY with "Moses", Lancaster County, PA (Tue-Thurs) Sept. 19-20-21, 2023

Price: \$576 p.p. double / \$535 triple / \$515 quad / \$720 single. \$100 per person deposit at booking. Final pay't due: 8/15. Travel Ins available. Date of Birth required. Includes: Two nights lodging at Fulton Steamboat Inn; two breakfasts at hotel; guided tour of Amish Farmlands with luncheon at an Amish Farm; two buffet dinners (Bird in Hand Restaurant including a show & Millers Smorgasbord); reserved front orchestra seats at Sight & Sound Theatres for 'Moses'; free time at Kitchen Kettle Village. Depart 7:30AM Tue 9/19 Return approx. 7PM Thurs 9/21.

8/ POLKA! POLKA with the Polka Family Band, Southington, CT, Tues, October 10, 2023

Price \$124 p.p. Includes luncheon, Polka! Polka! Show. Menu Family Style: Lemon Chicken, Pork Schnitzel, Salad, Penne, Potato, Veg. Rolls, Dessert, Coffee. Complimentary Coffee & Donuts, Beer or Wine, door prizes. Depart 9:30AM Return approx. 5:30PM

9/ DREAMGIRLS, Goodspeed Opera House, East Haddam, CT, Wed. November 15, 2023

Price \$185 p.p. Includes Luncheon at Gelston House, reserved orchestra seats to Dreamgirls. Pre-select: Choose one: Cod-Chicken-Steak-Pasta-Burger. Depart 10AM Return Approx 6PM.

STE. ROSE de LIMA PARISH PICNIC TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW! Join us Sunday, September 10th at the K of C #69 on Granby Road beginning at 12 Noon. Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Center 15 Chapel St. or before / after weekend Masses. Tickets are \$10.00 per adult, \$6.00 children, 3 and under -FREE. We are also in need of volunteers to help with the picnic. Please contact Aida @413-519-1404 if you're willing to help. Proceeds from our Picnic benefit St. Joan of Arc School.

THE STE. ROSE 2023 RAFFLE! By now you should have received our annual parish raffle tickets associated with our parish picnic. This year's picnic will be held in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus #69 on Granby Road, September 10th. The parish raffle is awarding prizes totaling \$3300.00. There will be One \$1000.00 prize donated by the St. Pierre Phaneuf Aldenville Funeral Chapel. Two \$500 prizes, Four \$200 & Five \$100 prizes. Incentive sellers raffle – sell/purchase 4 books of tickets and fill out coupon to be entered into drawing for \$100. Tickets still available at the Pastoral Center.

THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY
Recite the Rosary and ask Our Dear Lady to intercede for us in our need.
<i>Prayed on Monday and Saturday:</i>
THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES: The Annunciation + The Visitation + The Birth of our Lord + The Presentation + The Finding in the Temple.
<i>Prayed on Tuesday and Friday:</i>
THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES: The Agony in the Garden + The Scourging + The Crowning With Thorns + The Carrying of the Cross + The Crucifixion.
<i>Prayed on Wednesday and Sunday:</i>
THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES: The Resurrection + The Ascension + The Coming of the Holy Spirit + The Assumption of Our Lady + The Coronation of Our Lady.
<i>Prayed on Thursday:</i>
THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES: The Baptism of Jesus Christ + Christ Reveals Himself at Cana + Proclamation of the Kingdom and Call to Conversion + The Transfiguration + The Institution of the Eucharist

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE – Tuesday, September 26, 2023 10:00 America needs Fatima's life-like statue will be displayed in the Dusseault family home for all to venerate. This beautiful image of the Blessed Mother and Her message will surely stir your soul. The Marian program features an inspiring audio-visual presentation on the 1917 miraculous Fatima apparitions, followed by a group Rosary. Please contact Monica 413-374-3337 to RSVP.

5TH ANNUAL SALUTE TO SOLDIERS- FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT AMERICA'S VETjGODS – Saturday, October 28th, Agawam Polish Club. Doors open @ 5:00pm, dinner @ 6:00pm, trivia @ 7:00pm. Tickets \$20.00. Our fundraising goal is \$10,000.00 and sponsor a service dog to be placed with a disabled veteran. To purchase tickets & info visit asalutetosoldiers.com or call 413-726-8883.

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+Saturday	STE. ROSE DE LIMA BINGO – Super Bingo Format Early Bird 6:10PM - Games 6:15PM - \$15 & \$20 Entrance Extra \$5 Packs – 2 WTA 50/50 – 2 \$1199 Progressives Free Coffee & Tea --- Catered Entrance until 6:30PM every Saturday - Elevator Available Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall – 600 Grattan St- Chicopee, MA 413-539-9259	Saturday+
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