



STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



PALM SUNDAY

As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen. - Lk 19:36, 37b

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OUR LOCATIONS

Ste Rose de Lima Church & Pastoral Center

15 Chapel Street, Chicopee, MA 01020 ~ 413-536-4558
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St. Joan of Arc School ~

Principal William McDonald

587 Grattan Street, Chicopee, MA 01020 ~ 413-536-6298

St. Rose Cemetery

Superintendent_ Juan Hernandez

Olsen St, Chicopee, MA, 01020 ~ 413-536-6298

04/13/2025

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass:

4:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday

7:00 AM

First Friday (during school year)

9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

3:15 PM-3:45 PM

First Friday Adoration

7:30 AM -3:30

First Tuesday Adoration

6:30 PM- 8:00 PM

Office Hours:

M-Th 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

BINGO -SATURDAY ~ CHURCH HALL ~HANDICAP
ACCESSABLE EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sat.	April 12	4:00 p.m.	† Lucien C. Verdon (20th Anniv) by Robert & Claire Raina
Sun.	April 13	7:30 a.m.	† Boleslaw Piekos by Steve & Albina Roy
		9:00 a.m.	† Lisa Jean LaValley by Meme
		11:00 a.m.	† Aurelio Negron by Aida Gaouette & family
		1:00 p.m.	75th Wedding Anniversary Ernest & Claire Laflamme
		4:00 p.m.	† Daniel Boutin by Lorraine & Danny Boutin
Mon.	April 14	7:00 a.m.	† Umberto Manno by Angelina Manno & family
Tues.	April 15	7:00 a.m.	† Bill & Bea Beddor by David Rosinski
Wed.	April 16	7:00 a.m.	† Robert & Beverly Gentile by their family
Thur.	April 17	7:00 p.m.	HOLY THURSDAY
Fri.	April 18	7:00 p.m.	GOOD FRIDAY
Sat.	April 19	8:00 p.m.	HOLY SATURDAY
Sun.	April 20	7:30 a.m.	† Irene Rider (1st anniversary) by Mike & Deb Weibel
		9:00 a.m.	† James Ruffner (27th wed anniv) by his wife Karen
		11:00 a.m.	† Salvatore Contabile by Marianna Ciccarelli
		1:00 p.m.	75th Anniversary Ernest & Claire Laflamme
		4:00 p.m.	HAPPY EASTER

April Hosts: In loving memory of : Jeannine Landry by M/M Maroney
April Sanctuary Lamp: In loving memory of : Janet Bergeron by Sandy, Joyce & Bobby

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



The family of: Roger Paul (funeral 4/8/2025); Noreen Rouillard (funeral 4/9/2025); Brenda Strode (graveside 4/22/2025); Lynn Marie Ryczek burial 4/26/2025; Francis & Lorraine Blaine (graveside 5/9/2025; Joan "Sandy" Elliott (burial 5/10/2025)

May God hold her soul and the souls of our faithful departed lovingly in the palm of His hands.

STEWARDSHIP

For the Week of April 6, 2025

Weekly collection \$7681.00~ Cath Home Mission \$5.00 ~ Retired Priests \$25.00 ~ Seminarian Fund \$5.00 ~ CRS \$15.00 ~ Holy Land/Good Friday \$ 25.00 ~ Easter Flowers \$ 1410.00 ~ Easter \$ 25.00

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BEACON OF FAITH UPDATE—STE ROSE DE LIMA

Ste. Rose de Lima church has now met 60% of our goal by raising \$335,611.20 of the \$557,173.36 goal. If you have not made your donation as of yet, would you please consider doing so soon? As always, your continued support & generosity is so appreciated.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a Catholic Community, proud of our diverse heritage, committed to the witness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in liturgy, hospitality and education. All are welcome to our Parish Community as we seek to love, respect and value the uniqueness and dignity of every person, without exception or distinction."



4/12/2025 Team # 2 Specials: Grilled chicken dinner ~ Hamburg macaroni.

4/19/2026—NO BINGO DUE TO EASTER VIGIL

4/26/2025 Team # 4Specials: Polish plate (grilled Blue Seal Kielbasa, Millie's Pierogies, sauerkraut ~ homemade meatloaf

SJA BOOSTER CLUB: the winner is # 120 Kathy Krzystofik, Congratulations!!!! A new session of the Booster Club has begun and will run through July. There are numbers available for anyone interested in joining in on the fun. All proceeds support SJA School. Dues are \$5.00 per week(\$100 for 20 weeks). There is a weekly \$100 winner; the final drawing has multiple winners with prizes ranging from \$150—\$1000. totaling \$5000. If you are interested in becoming part of the fun, please contact Sandy or Joe Chessey at 413-592-6256.

"CHILDREN IN NEED" COLLECTION DRIVE FOR FOSTER CARE-Tragically, many children must quickly leave their unsafe home and enter a foster home carrying only a bag containing a few personal items. Our collection drive is geared toward collecting needed products for a fostering organization that assists these courageous foster families. Let's help by filling a bin, at the front foyer, with gently used or new clothing, shoes, diapers, and wipes (infant-teen), March 22-April 27. For your convenience, an additional collection box is located inside the Chicopee Senior Center (lower level).



The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025; after the 9:00 a.m. mass behind St. Joan of Arc School.

(Please bring your own basket.)

We will be accepting plastic egg donations and candy donations for the egg hunt , here at the parish center.

We are also looking for people to volunteer to stuff the eggs Wednesday April 16th. Please contact Michael @ Michael@sterose.org or call the parish office.

NEWSIES



SJA PERFORMING ARTS will be performing NEWSIES in May. A story of a charismatic newsboy, who rallies fellow newsboys to fight against unfair conditions imposed by powerful newspaper publishers. Showtimes May 15 & 16th 7:00 p.m. Tickets on sale at SJA main office 413-533-1475 \$10 p/p and go on sale April 28th, 2025

The STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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The road to Calvary, or Via Dolorosa ('mournful way') is the name given to Christ's final journey from Jerusalem to the hill of Calvary, or Golgotha (the place of the skull') where he was crucified. Join us as we journey through the Stations of the Cross, Friday's beginning March 7th at 6:00 pm (Good Friday- April 18th 3:00 p.m.) Questions or more information, please see Deacon Mike or Deacon Dan.



Prayer for Palm Sunday—Blessed be your name, oh Lord my God! As we enter this week of your Passion & Death, keep me in lockstep with you. Help me to be attentive to every word you would have me hear, every lesson you would have me learn. I want to journey with you. Amen



Saturday Vigil April 12
4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 13, 2025
7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. &
4:00 p.m.

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance. It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions. But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes. It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most. These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Cub Scout Pack #138 is hosting a Food Drive for Lorraine's Soup Kitchen on Sunday April 13th before all services. Any non-perishable items would be greatly appreciated!

LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN & PANTRY

We are still in need of 1 or 2 lb. bags of rice; peanut butter and canned fruits & vegetables. (12-18 oz sizes only! - the family sizes are too large to handle for many people.) Thank you for your continued support & generosity! We are also looking for morning volunteers from 8-8:30 M-F. It can be one person all week or many people one day each to help prepare the kitchen for the day. Light lifting, bread sorting, etc. Volunteers needed!!!

SHRINERS FUNDRAISER

Our Director of Religious Education, Michael Chirichella, will be dancing to raise funds for the Shriners' Organization on April 26, 2025 @ Cedars Banquet Hall. Fr. Bill will be one of the judges. Tickets and more information contact David Rozinski @ 413-519-2435



HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF THE FEET

April 17th, 2025 7:00 pm. Join us in an act of humility and service, as we renew the cleansing that comes with having your feet washed as the Jesus did with his disciples. Please wear shoes that can be easily removed. Contact the parish office if you are interested in participating in this most humbling experience. Call 413-536-4558.

CLOTHING DRIVE

SJA School FUNDrive—It's that time again for our annual Savers FUNDrive event! This is a perfect opportunity to donate some of the gently used clothing you've been looking to get rid of, and it's a great opportunity for the PTO to raise funds for upcoming events. Bring your clothing and textiles to the SJA School parking lot on the morning of May 3rd. **NO HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**, please. **DROP OFF** is from 9:00 A.M. TO 11:55 A.M. on May 3rd. All proceeds go to wards raising funds for the SJA PTO. (clothes—men's, woman's & children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, belts, backpacks, etc.) (household textiles—bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc)

WIN A TRIP TO ROME & HELP HARMONY HOUSE

Harmony House of Western Massachusetts, the home hospice patients, is sponsoring a raffle to win an all inclusive trip for two to Rome and the Amalfi Coast from October 23, 2025 to November 2, 2025. If you've always dreamed of a luxury vacation to Italy, now is the time to purchase a ticket and perhaps win the trip of a lifetime. Traveling with a small group and private guide, the trip includes five nights in Maiori on the Amalfi Coast and four nights in Rome, all transportation, hotel stays, daily meals, and beverages. This Italian sojourn is valued at over \$9,000. The trip is sponsored by Figaro Ristorante, Italian Exclusive Vacations, and the Giuseppe Polimeni Group. Tickets are \$100 each and can be obtained from the Board members, by emailing Lisa Potito at admin@harmonyhousewma.org or via Venmo. Then drawing will be held on June 6, 2025 and the lucky winner will be contacted. It's time to brush up on your Italian. Grazie Mille!

COMMUNITY LIFE MEETING—April 22, 2025 6:00 p.m. New members are always welcome. Meetings are held in the Parish Center on 15 Chapel Street. Chicopee, MA

The Seven Churches Pilgrimage is the practice of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday, in imitation of the journey of Christ on the eve of his crucifixion. The devotion is thought to have originated in sixteenth-century Rome, where pilgrims, likely led by St. Philip Neri, would visit the seven major basilicas there: St. Peter's in the Vatican, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. Mary Major, St. Sebastian Outside the Walls, St. Lawrence Outside the Walls and Santa Croce in Gerusalemme. Pilgrims undertaking this journey anywhere in the world can visit any seven churches while adoring Christ in the Blessed Sacrament upon the Altar of Repose, fulfilling his request of his disciples to stay with him as he awaited his Passion. There are specific Scripture passages that pilgrims can meditate upon at each altar.