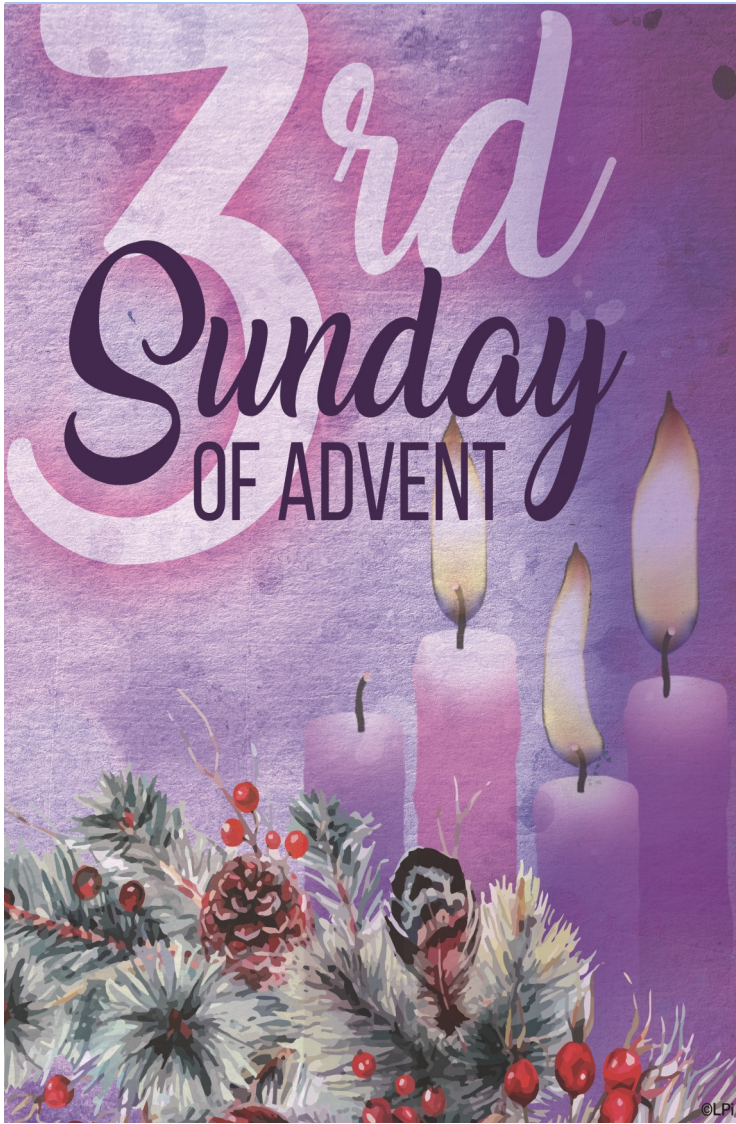




STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



@SteRoseChicopee

12/14/2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

Saturday 3:15 PM-3:45 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Day Vigil (night before) 4:00 PM

Holy Day 6:30 PM

Baptism-Last Sunday of the Month

First Friday Adoration (Parish Center)

7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

First Tues Adoration (Parish Center)

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
ACCESSIBLE EARLY BIRD 6:00 PM**

AA Meetings every Tuesday 7:30-8:30 pm - Church Hall

Bulletin Deadline-Mondays by Noon

OUR LOCATIONS

Ste Rose de Lima Church & Pastoral Center

15 Chapel Street, Chicopee, MA 01020 ~ 413-536-4558
www.sterose.org

St. Joan of Arc School

Principal ~ Mrs. A. Mahan

587 Grattan Street, Chicopee, MA 01020 ~ 413-533-1475

St. Rose Cemetery

Superintendent ~ Juan Hernandez

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MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 14, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat. Dec. 13	4:00 p.m.	† Janet Bergeron (9th anniv) by her family
Sun. Dec. 14	7:30 a.m.	† Thomas Kotfila by his wife
	9:00 a.m.	† Jose Ferreira (2nd anniv) by Dalia Rosario
	11:00 a.m.	† Clarence Gagnon by the family
	4:00 p.m.	† Nicolas Pouliot (birthday) by Pauline & family
Mon. Dec. 15	7:00 a.m.	† Umberto Manno by Angelina Manno & family
Tues. Dec. 16	7:00 a.m.	† Frederick L. Wilson by Dcn. Mike & Eileen Tryznadel
Wed. Dec. 17	7:00 a.m.	† Dolores "Dolly" Asselin by Sandra & John Peret
Thur. Dec. 18	7:00 a.m.	† Thomas Kotfila by the family
Fri. Dec. 19	7:00 a.m.	† Georgette Remillard by the Lacroix family
Sat. Dec. 20	4:00 p.m.	† Raymond Desorcy by his family
Sun. Dec. 21	7:30 a.m.	† Edwin Langevin by Annette & family
	9:00 a.m.	† Manuel Oliveira (16th anniv) by Ormindia & family
	11:00 a.m.	† Alice & Paul Sullivan by Tom & Rose
	4:00 p.m.	† Guy Tremblay by Denise

DECEMBER Hosts: In loving memory of :

Luke Lessard by his wife Lisette & children

DECEMBER Sanctuary Lamp: In loving memory of :

Linda Dugre by the family

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



The family of: Mary B. Beaudoin, Stanislaw Cienki,
Thomas O' Brien , Diane Mashia
**May God hold their souls and the souls of our faithful
departed in the palm of His hands.**

SJA BOOSTER CLUB: The weekly winner and the grand prize drawing winners can be found in the insert. The drawing was held last Sunday, December 7, 2025 after the 9:00 mass in conjunction with Coffee & Donuts. New numbers are still available if you are interested in joining in on the fun! Please contact Sandy & Joe Chessey at 413-592-6256.

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7, 2025

Due to another early transmission for the bulletin, the totals for the collection of December 7, 2025 will be reported next week! We apologize for the inconvenience and the delay!

As always, thank you for your continued support & generosity! May your holidays be full of many blessings!



2026 CALENDARS—sponsored by St. Pierre Phaneuf Funeral Chapels are now available in the front of the church. Please pick up your calendars today! They make great gifts for family and friends. They keep you informed of the liturgical seasons, Holy Days of Obligation, Saints days.

Thank you Paul Phaneuf & St. Pierre Funeral Chapels of your continued support of Ste. Rose de Lima Church.

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."



Early Bird 6:00 p.m. ~ Games 6:15 p.m. ~ \$15.00 & \$20.00 entrance. Extra \$5.00 packs ~ 3 50/50 ~ 2 \$1199 Progressives ~ Free coffee & tea.

12/13 team # 1 Meal: Chicken Parmesan, hamburger soup

12/20 team # 2 NO BINGO / NO KITCHEN

12/27 team # 3 NO BINGO / NO KITCHEN

Entrance until 6:30 every Saturday (unless posted) ~ Elevator available. Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall, 600 Grattan St Chicopee, MA 413-539-2259.

SJA \$10 LOTTERY CALENDAR FUNDRAISER—As a reminder December 15th is the deadline for purchasing the SJA \$10.00 Lottery Calendar. Please see an SJA student and/or parent selling the wonderful gift calendars after each of our masses this weekend. Think stocking stuffers, birthday gifts or thank you gifts! The raffle will be held throughout January 2026 and the winners will be posted on the school's Website & Facebook page. Thank you!!

GREAT NEWS! BIG Y & SJA SCHOOL COMMUNITY BAG PROGRAM—We are excited to share that Big Y has selected SJA School to benefit from the Community Bag Program throughout December. For each time a \$2.50 reusable Community Bag is purchased from the Big Y located at 650 Memorial Drive in Chicopee throughout December, \$1.00 will be donated to SJA School. For more information about this program, please visit bigy.2givelocal.com.

DECEMBER COMMUNITY SUPPER IN CONJUNCTION WITH SJA PTO

All proceeds benefit the SJA PTO!

Dine in or take out options available

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025 5:00 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

Adults \$ 6.00 ~ Kids 10 & under \$ 4.00 ~ Soup add-on \$1.00

Tickets are available to purchase in the Parish Center 413-536-4558 or at the door (cash only!)



Menu: Spaghetti w/ homemade meatballs; salad & a dinner roll; cake for dessert; rinks include: coffee, tea, juice, & water

Add on soup for \$ 1.00 ~ Cheese tortellini.



Ste. Rose Giving Tree—is now located in the alcove on the right side of the church. There are tags for the elderly, veterans, children of the parish and gifts for Lorraine's Soup Kitchen. Make someone's Christmas special and a little bit brighter. The deadline for the return of gifts is Wednesday, December 17, 2025. Please place gifts under the tree. We are also asking for volunteers to help deliver these gifts. Please call Aida Gaouette @ 413-519-1404.

CHRISTMAS & SOLEMNITY OF MARY LECTORS NEEDED—Our parish relies on the generosity of our liturgical ministers to make our Christmas and New Year's Masses special. We are in need of Lectors for the Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1st masses. Please contact Peggy Constant @ 413-536-4558 x218, if you are able to volunteer. Thank you for your continued service.

WEEK 3 Advent

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In Advent, the color pink (or rose) on the third Sunday symbolizes **"joy & rejoicing"**. This Sunday is known as **"Gaudete Sunday,"** a Latin term for **"rejoice,"** and it marks a midpoint of the season, bringing a shift from the somber purple of the previous weeks to a more joyful anticipation of Christmas. The pink candle is often called the **"Joy Candle"** or the **"Shepherd's Candle"**, referencing the joy of the shepherds who were the first to hear the news of Jesus' birth.

John the Baptist is truly an intriguing figure of history. He was a cousin of Jesus and literally prepared all those who would listen for this new way of life ushered in by a Messiah. Besides the key role he plays in the Gospel story, his depiction in Scripture, and then in literature, movies, and other media, gives us an image of a pretty unique person. How about locusts and wild honey for dinner? Can you imagine camel's hair as a staple in your wardrobe? He lived differently, and he stood out among the status quo. Of course, his look and cuisine didn't stand out nearly as much as his message. How do you stand out? What separates you from the crowd? God has created each of us completely unique and with a combination of gifts like no one else. How can you uncover and understand your unique gifts? First, reflect on what makes you happiest in life. We are happiest when we are using the talents God gave us. Next, think about what comes naturally to you, whether it is a skill, task, or emotion. Recurring patterns in our behavior and experiences provide clues to our giftedness. Finally, what do other people see in you? The communities we live in, whether it is our family, parish, school, or workplace are filled with people who can provide clues to us by their observations. After these steps, can you say what makes you special? Now, let's start to grow that, lean on it, and stand out in a way that brings glory to God.



OF WESTERN MASSACHSETTS

CURSILLO...what is it? Cursillo (kur-see-yo) means "short course in Christianity". The intention of the Cursillo Movement is to give each person a renewed spirituality and a clearer understanding of how Christ can work through them. To learn more about this vital and active lay movement in the Diocese of Springfield, visit our website :www.cursillowmass.net

3 Day Women's Cursillo Weekend 2026 Friday evening January 16-Monday evening January 19 to be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church 1023 Parker St, Springfield MA
Questions of how to register contact Committee Chairs Berry or Felicia at precursillowma@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE		
Christmas Eve		
Wed. Dec. 24, 2025	7:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
Midnight Mass	12:00 a.m.	
The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)		
Thurs. Dec. 25, 2025	7:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
	11:00 a.m.	



THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN

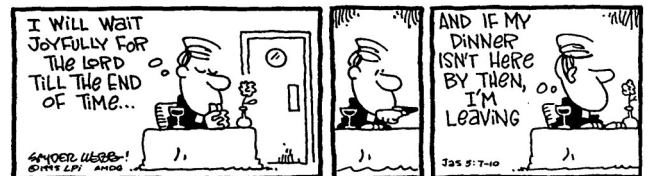
Thanks to the generosity of the our amazing Ste. Rose de Lima Community family, Lorraine's Soup Kitchen & Pantry received \$670.00 in cash and 222 lbs. of food for the needy! Your kindness & generosity is so heartfelt. Thank you all!

Third Week of Advent Prayer Candle of Joy



Heavenly Father, This third week of Advent, let us remember that the good news of Jesus' birth brings us great joy this Christmas season. Our joy isn't dependent on what is going on in our lives, in our world, or the people that we are with. It doesn't depend on the gifts we give or the gifts we find under the tree. No earthly thing can ever give us complete joy. Our joy comes from you. That joy that flooded the hearts of the shepherds, the angels, the wise men, the hosts of heaven, and Mary and Joseph is the joy that still has the power to overwhelm our hearts with rejoicing. Those who gathered around the new baby were blessed because they believed that you had fulfilled your promises. Mary and Joseph believed and were able to feel the joy of holding baby Jesus in their arms. The shepherds and wise men believed the angles and the signs and experienced the great gladness of worshipping their Messiah.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



COFFEE & DONUTS



Please join us downstairs in the church hall after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Meet old friends, make new friends. Have your birthday acknowledged. Contact Darlene Proulx @ 413-209-6680 if you are interested in volunteering your time.

