



STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



@SteRoseChicopee

12/21/2025

4TH 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

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 21, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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
Mon. Dec. 22	7:00 a.m.	† Elena & Emiliano Cortez by Chris Boucher
Tues. Dec. 23	7:00 a.m.	† Salvatore Contabile by Marianna Ciccarella
Wed. Dec. 24	7:00 a.m.	† Walter & Irene Bennis, Ron Desmarais by Desmarais family
	4:00 p.m.	† James, Scott, Stephen & Patrick by Lorraine (R.I.P.)
	12:00 MIDNIGHT	All families of Ste Rose de Lima
Thur. Dec. 25	7:30 a.m.	† Joseph Rene & Gloria Thibeault by the family
	9:00 a.m.	† James Vincent Pagliaro Jr
	11:00 a.m.	† Salvatore Contabile by his wife Rosa & son
Fri. Dec. 26	7:00 a.m.	† Leo & Bella Constant by their D-I-L Peggy Constant
Sat. Dec. 27	4:00 p.m.	† Bernard Chartier by the family
Sun. Dec. 28	7:30 a.m.	† Arthur & Reina Mayotte by Armand & Gloria
	9:00 a.m.	† Joseph Bonavita (3rd anniv) by Mom & Dad
	11:00 a.m.	† Alexandre & Florence Biron by Tom & Rose
	4:00 p.m.	† Roland Ouimette by his sister Huguette Fecteau

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: James Vincent Pagliaro, Jr.

May God hold their souls and the souls of our faithful departed in the palm of His hands.

SJABOOSTER CLUB: The weekly winner which was drawn on December 7 was # 20 Diane Sebigny—and the grand prize drawing winners were (\$1000.00 # 84—Diane Hartman), (\$ 800.00 #74 Mary Rider), (\$650.00 # 87 Carol & Bob Moritko), (\$500.00 # 29 Sue Gelinas), (\$400.00 #80 Denise Darcy), (\$350.00 # 131 Sylvia Krol), (\$300.00 # 59 Renelle Bonavita), (\$ 250.00 # 22 Gail Boone), (\$250.00 # 101 Donald Bernash), (\$200.00 # 4 Marie Malloy), (\$ 150.00 #148 Joan Valentino), (\$ 150.00 #137 Raymond Cloutier). The drawing was held Sunday, December 7, 2025 after the 9:00 mass in conjunction with Coffee & Donuts. Due to early transmissions of the bulletin for the holidays, the weekly winner for December 14th & December 21st will be reported next week. New numbers are still available if you are interested in joining in on the fun! \$ 5.00 per week or \$100.00, 20 weeks. Please contact Sandy & Joe Chessey at 413-592-6256.

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7,

Weekly envelopes & candles \$ 10,183.00 ~ Military \$5.00 ~ Immaculate Conception \$343.00 ~ Solemnity of Mary \$ 60.00 ~ Retirement Religious \$ 683.00 ~ Christmas Flowers \$1511.00 ~ Holy Christmas \$315.00 ~ SJA School \$ 295.00

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.

12/20 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.

Ste. Rose Giving Tree—was a huge success! Thanks to the generosity of the Ste Rose community, we were able to satisfy all of our recipients with wonderful gifts. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to deliver these gifts. A special thank you to Aida Gaolette for and Cathy Desorcy for stepping up to continue with this important program. See you next year!

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA—The wreaths were placed on Veterans graves on Saturday, December 13th. Thank you to everyone who purchased wreaths this year and to the volunteers who helped place these wreaths to honor and remember those military members who had sacrificed so much for us! Thank you John Beaulieu for stepping into the role this year, and "thank you" to Gail Boone who had been a huge part of this program but has decided to step away. Thank you!



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

In search of the perfect Christmas gift to give to your better half? *Give the gift of retreat!*

Couples Retreat—Pilgrims of Hope

February 13-15, 2026

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center— W Hartford, CT

Explore our theme, *Pilgrims of Hope*, together. Holy Family's annual Couples retreat includes our gourmet Valentines dinner and offers an opportunity to step back from the chaos of everyday life and grow in love, with God and with one another. For more information or to register visit holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar/couples or call our registrar Ted @ 860-760-9705.

WEEK 4 Advent

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The 4th Sunday in Advent in the Catholic tradition **focuses on the love of God, celebrated through the themes of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth and the Love of God for humanity as He sent his son, Jesus.** This final Sunday of Advent is a time of joyful expectation and peaceful preparation for Christmas, symbolizing that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise of love and salvation. The "Angel's Candle" and the other three lit candles complete the circle of light, symbolizing hope and joy.

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.

CALLED BY NAME RESULT—

Dear Brother Priests and Parish Staff,

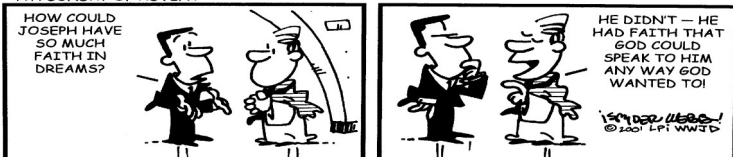
I want to thank you again for all the effort you put into our *Called by Name* campaign. I am pleased to share that through this campaign we have received 201 submissions so far! This would not have been possible without your support of the campaign.

Fr. David Aufiero

Director of Recruiting

With-in the next couple of months, there will be a number of events planned for these young men

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



COFFEE & DONUTS

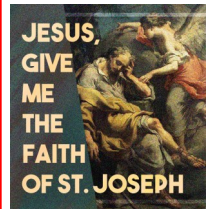
There will no Coffee & Donuts the weekends of 12/21 & 12/28. Have a Merry Christmas! In January, please join us downstairs in the church hall after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Meet old friends, make new friends. Have your birthday acknowledged. Contact Darlene Proulx @ 413-209-6680 if you are interested in volunteering your time.



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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.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS St. Joseph the Steward



St. Joseph is one of the greatest examples of stewardship we have in the Gospels. Here is a man who understands care and reverence for the property of God, a man chosen to be steward over the very life and breath of God's Son and Spouse.

Joseph was mindful. He recognized what belonged to God. When he understood that Mary was to be the mother of God, he was not jealous or bitter. He did not presume to claim ownership over her. Joseph was prayerful. He accepted the opportunity to be in relationship with God, even if it was in a radical and unexpected way. How many of us would trust a crazy dream we have where an angel tells us our fiancée is carrying the Son of God? Well, those of us who are already profoundly connected to God through prayer. Joseph was open to receiving God, and so he was open to the truth in a way many of us would not have been. Joseph was gracious. Even before he had full understanding of the situation, he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He did not give himself over to feelings of betrayal. Joseph was committed. He persevered. The Lord had no shortage of strange and even dangerous-sounding tasks for Joseph, but he submitted to each one. Joseph was accountable. When he awoke from his dream, "he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took his wife into his home." Joseph was a man entrusted with many gifts, and he gave of them wisely. Let us pray that we have the grace to follow in his example. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Pilgrims of Hope Men's Retreat— Faith is a journey! Last year, just months before his passing, Pope Francis called for a jubilee year, and he announced the theme would be *Pilgrims of Hope*. As "pilgrims of hope", we must be willing to take risks, to make the effort to understand God's call, and to grow in our faith. The pilgrim doesn't travel aimlessly but allows God to be the North Star, leading us to discover that God is at the heart of our journey. We invite you to join us this year at Holy Family for our annual retreat as we celebrate our 75th anniversary of ministry. Together, as part of God's beloved creation, we can pursue that blessed goal—life with God as beloved companions and pilgrims of hope. Visit holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats for more information and to register. Generous scholarships available— contact our registrar Ted @ 860-760-9705. Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center—West Hartford CT Feb 20-22