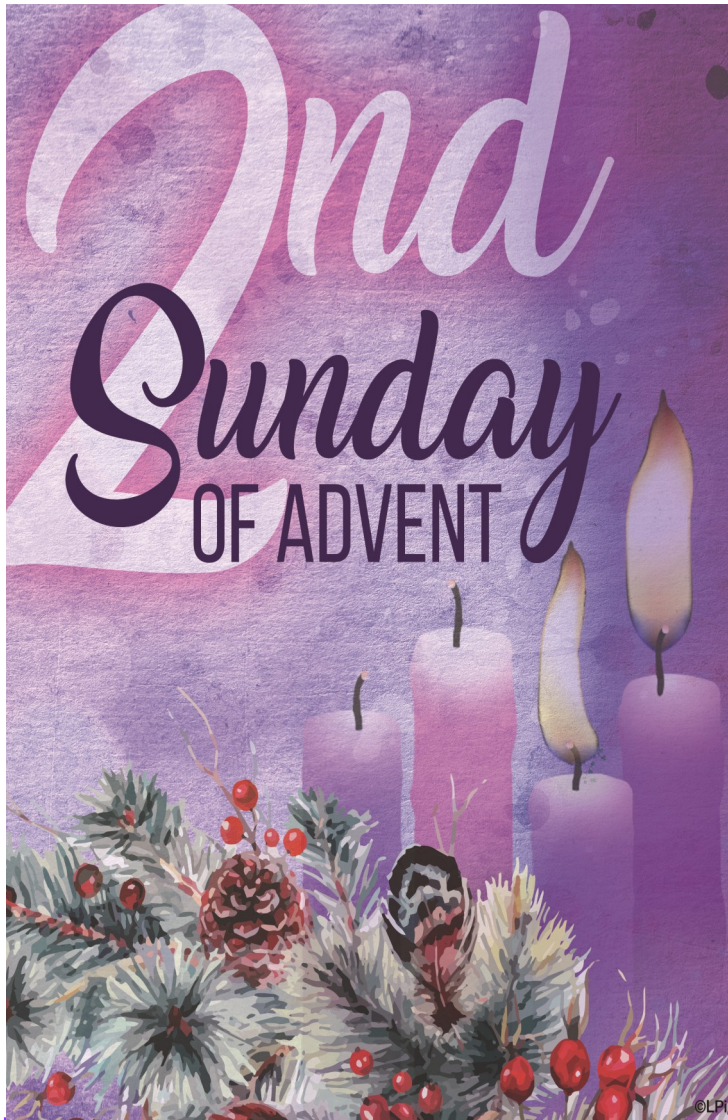




# STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



@SteRoseChicopee

12/07/2025  
SECOND 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–  
3:00PM**

**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](http://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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat. Dec. 06	4:00 p.m.	† Sylvio Carrier
Sun. Dec. 07	7:30 a.m.	† Georgette Remillard by the Lacroix family
	9:00 a.m.	† Susan Kurpaska by husband Larry, Katelyn & Joseph
	11:00 a.m.	† Patricia Potvin by Stella, David & Raymond
	4:00 p.m.	† Rene Fagnant (remembrance) by wife & children
Mon. Dec. 08	7:00 a.m.	† Elzbieta Davis by Ryszard Starsiak
Immaculate Conception	9:00 a.m.	† Lynn Bennis by her husband Larry
Immaculate Conception	6:00 p.m.	† Tammy Grandbois by friends
Tues. Dec. 09	7:00 a.m.	† Roland & Cecile Brault by David & Renee Brault
Wed. Dec. 10	7:00 a.m.	† Eleuterio Hemedes Bella, Jr By Jim & Jeannette Montimagni
Thur. Dec. 11	7:00 a.m.	† Jean George Boule by the family
Fri. Dec. 12	7:00 a.m.	† Simone Roux by Denise & Denise
	9:00 a.m.	† Lynn Bennis (1st anniv 12/3)
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

**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



The family of: Mary B. Beaudoin, Stanislaw Cienki,  
Thomas O' Brien

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

**SJA BOOSTER CLUB:** This week's winner is: # 41 Rose Kotfila! Congratulations!!! **The grand prize drawing will be held this Sunday, December 7, 2025 after the 9:00 mass** in conjunction with Coffee & Donuts. The weekly \$100.00 drawing will take place, the final drawing has multiple winners with prizes ranging from \$150.00 to \$500.00. 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 NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Weekly envelopes & Candle Money \$ 8579.00 ~  
Military Service \$ 31.00 ~ Solemnity of Mary \$ 97.00  
~ Immaculate Conception \$ 65.00 ~ Christmas  
\$170.00 ~ Christmas Flowers \$ 415.00 ~ Retirement  
Fund \$25.00 ~ SJA School \$ 288.00 ~ For the Love  
of Good Donation \$500.00

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

# DECEMBER 7, 2025

## 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.

12/6 team # 4 Meal: French Meat Pie, cheeseburger chowder  
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

**SJA \$10 LOTTERY CALENDAR FUNDRAISER**—Sale kicks off November 3rd, ends December 15th. Please see an SJA student, call the school office @ 533-1475, call or stop by the parish center 536-4558 or after one of the masses on the week-ends of Nov 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, Dec. 7th, & 14th. 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](http://bigy.2givelocal.com).

**CHRISTMAS TREE JUBILEE**—Thursday, December 11th School Hall. Friends and family Stroll 4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Adults/ Non-SJA Students \$5.00 per person. SJA Students Free ~ Complimentary Snacks & Cocoa. Tree Raffle \$15/sheet includes door prize tickets! Jingle Bell Raffle 4 tickets \$1.00 or arms length \$ 5.00 Magic Reindeer Food Bar. Decorate a Tree Station, Snapshot booth. Need volunteer hours? Email [businessoffice@sjachicopee.org](mailto:businessoffice@sjachicopee.org)

## 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.

**2026 CALENDARS**—sponsored by St. Pierre Phaneuf Funeral Chapels are now available in the front of the church. Please Take your calendars home today! They make great gifts for family & friends and show you the liturgical season too!



**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. Thankyou for your continued service.

## WEEK 2 Advent

### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS Jesus Is Headed Your Way

One day, we heard the news that a possible tornado was heading our way. We live off of a highway, and it was traveling along that very road. My wife and kids huddled in the downstairs bathroom. Not many tornadoes surface in North Carolina, so our children were particularly worried because it was something they had never contemplated happening before. The tornado never did come into our neighborhood, but it did cause one of our sons to express that he needed to go to Confession as soon as possible. He hadn't done anything too over the top sinful, but coming face-to-face with a tornado had caused him to have some second thoughts about his preparedness for meeting God. Hopefully, a tornado doesn't make a path through your city or town this Advent.

Sometimes, reminders of our mortality find their way into life. The passing of a loved one, a car accident, or a health scare can all cause us to reflect on where we are in our relationship with God. Without those moments, we can find ourselves living daily without a mindfulness of where God is in our life and if our actions are pleasing to Him ... or if they drag us further away into the world.

Advent is the time to take inventory of where we are with God. How are we living as good stewards and mature disciples? What do I need to make amends for in the healing power of the sacrament of Penance? A tornado may not be coming, but Jesus will be returning someday. Hopefully, you will run outside of your home to meet him, and he won't find you huddled up afraid in your bathroom.— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

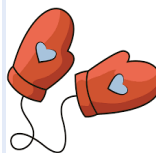
My youngest child is going through Confirmation preparation this year. It is always quite a challenge to get through to a teenager about the importance of the gifts and fruits of the Spirit. You can't see and touch these things, but they are more valuable than most tangible gifts we can receive.

Isaiah 11 features the list of the traditional gifts of the Spirit that we speak about in the context of the sacrament: wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are freely given to us to assist us in our daily walk with God. Discipleship and stewardship are hard enough in this world without the help from God's Spirit. During this Advent season, we think quite a bit about gifts and gift giving. What is the perfect gift for that special someone? What can you give that will have an impact and the person will remember for years to come? Over two thousand years ago, a gift was given to us in a manger that really made a lasting impact. That gift remains with us in a profound way through the sacraments. While we are busy trying to get gifts for others, let us be mindful of the gifts we have already received by the best gift giver the world has ever seen.

**THE WOMEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**—is a woman's group that is inspired by the Holy Spirit. As women we know our role distinctly by the many titles we can be called, mother, wife, sister, friend, etc.; but what does it precisely mean when we claim the role of Daughter of Christ and how do we live it out every day? As sisters in Christ, we are nurturing and strengthening our relationship with God through prayer, many forms of teachings, music, and fellowship. Women of all ages are invited to join us. We gather once a month on the second Saturday from 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Reminder—December 13, 2025 meeting will be held across the street in the church hall and we are asking members to bring non-perishable items for Lorraine's Soup Kitchen. If you would like more information, please contact Julie Prats @ 413-626-2925.



**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 Gouette @ 413-519-1404.



**WARM HEARTS~WARMING HANDS CHRISTMAS CAROLS & RECEPTION**  
Sunday, December 14, 2025 after the 4:00 p.m. mass—(inside the church). Bring new or newly knitted hats, mittens, and scarves to be donated to the youngsters of our community who will benefit from their warmth & comfort. Santa Claus will join us! Pizza & Desserts will be served immediately following downstairs in the church hall. We are looking forward to seeing you there! (Community Life Committee).

You are invited to attend a Christmas Chapel Concert in Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel.

HOLYOKE HIGH SCHOOL  
Madrigal Choir & 3 Octave Bell Choir

Sunday, December 14, 2025

2:00 p.m.

Directed by: Mark Todd

Will perform a variety of musical numbers for our delightful holiday. Free and open to the public.

Providence Place 5 Gamelin St Holyoke MA

### 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.