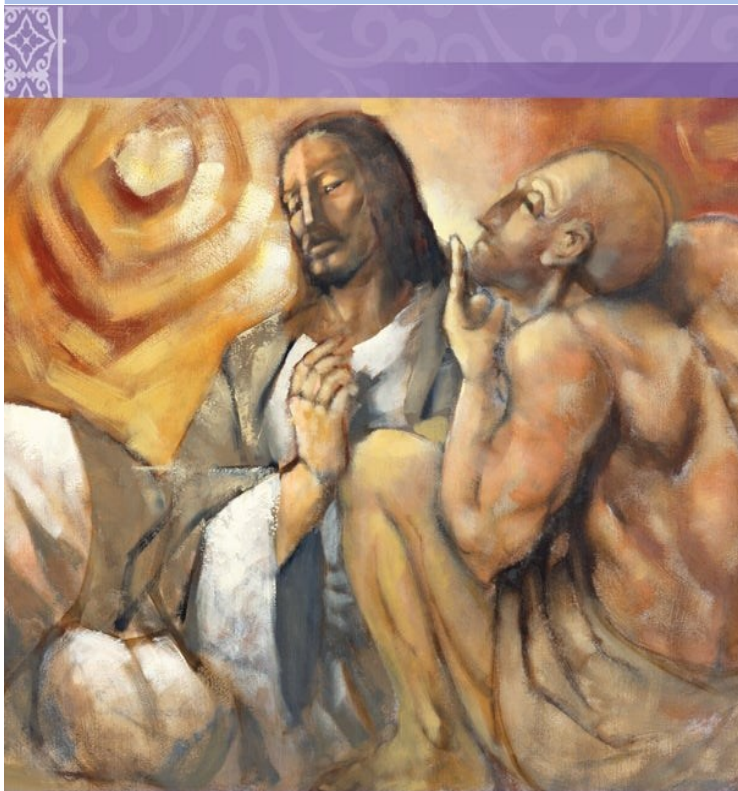




STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

"The tempter approached and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.' He said in reply, 'It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.'"
Mt 4: 1-4

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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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

Mailing address: 15 Chapel St, Chicopee, MA 01020

02/22/2026

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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 Fri 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

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MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sat. Feb. 21	4:00 p.m.	† Sylvio Carrier (30th anniv) by his wife Helen, Sylvie & Michele
Sun. Feb. 22	7:30 a.m.	† Rev. Donald Lapointe
	9:00 a.m.	† Adelino Joao by Dalia & family
	11:00 a.m.	† Robert Salois (2nd anniv) by his family
		† Jeannine Duquette (5th anniv) by her children & husband Robert
	4:00 p.m.	† Yvette Lavallee (birthday) by her husband Roland & family
Mon. Feb. 23	7:00 a.m.	† Salvatore Contabile by wife Rose & son
Tues. Feb. 24	7:00 a.m.	† Mark Castonguay by friends
Wed. Feb. 25	7:00 a.m.	† Donald Champigny
Thur. Feb. 26	7:00 a.m.	† Harold & Myrtle Crate
Fri. Feb. 27	7:00 a.m.	† Shirley Krustia
Sat. Feb. 28	4:00 p.m.	† Marie Bergeron by Bernice & Gordon family
Sun. Feb. 29	7:30 a.m.	† Ronald Constance
	9:00 a.m.	† Elizabete Moriarty by Dalia
	11:00 a.m.	† Jose' & Ana Ribeiro by the Ribeiro family
	4:00 p.m.	† Jeannette M. Marceau by family

FEBRUARY Host:

In loving memory: **Barbara Kuras by S-I-L Simone**

FEBRUARY Lamp:

In loving memory of: **Lillian & Alfred Boisselle by their family**

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



The family of: Jeannette M. Marceau, Mark Castonguay

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

Available mass dates: March -Sunday 1st (7:30), (4:00), 8TH (7:30, 11:00 & 4:00) 15TH (7:30, 4:00) 22ND (7:30)(4:00), 29TH (7:30, 9:00 & 4:00)

Weekday—7:00 a.m. 4th, 6th, 9th, 10, 11, 12, 16, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27 & 30th

Open to anyone that would like a mass or an extra masses. Please call 413-536-4558 if you would like to schedule.

STEWARDSHIP FOR WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Weekly envelopes & candles \$10,189.00 ~ Heartfelt Meals \$14 ~ Religious Retirement \$20.00 ~ Easter Flowers \$23.00 ~ Catholic Home \$62.00 ~ Black & Indian \$37.00 ~ Catholic Univ \$22.00 ~ Catholic Relief \$3.00 ~ SJA School \$ 2484.00

As always, thank you for your continued support & generosity!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB

The weekly winner is number : **# 137 Raymond Cloutier** Congratulations! New numbers are still available if you are interested in joining in on the fun! \$ 5.00 per week or \$100.00, 20 weeks. All proceeds benefit St. Joan of Arc School. Please contact Sandy & Joe Chessey at 413-592-6256.

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."



BINGO

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.

02/21 team # 3 Chicken Leg quarters, mashed potato ~ Soup: Cheese burger Chowder

02/28 team # 4 Shepherds Pie ~ Soup: Chicken Noodle

03/07 team # 1 Spaghetti & Meatballs ~ tortellini soup

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

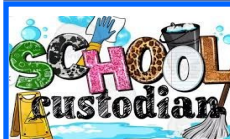
Coming early? Why not join us for our 4:00 p.m. mass upstairs

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, talent or treasure! *(please note...if you are having a function during mass which might generate more people downstairs for coffee & donuts, please contact Darlene (413-209-6680) with estimated numbers so Darlene can be sure to increase the donut & drink orders!)* **"What if your Lent was filled with adding new habits? Maybe instead of giving up coffee, we could take 30 minutes of our morning to drink coffee and meditate on God's Word".**

FRANCO AMERICAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION of Chicopee will meet on Thursday, February 26, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Ste. Rose de Lima Hall, 600 Grattan St, Chicopee MA. (weather permitting). We are accepting new members, Ladies of French & French Canadian Heritage. We are a social organization, with some members speaking English & French socially with meetings being conducted in English. We offer scholarship programs for the children & grandchildren of our members. Refreshments are available after the meeting. Come see what we have to offer. Follow us on Facebook for updates.



WE'RE HIRING

St. Joan of Arc School in Chicopee is currently looking for a custodian, preferably full-time. The position will require applicants to work Tuesday—Saturday. The responsibilities will include cleaning and maintaining all classrooms, hallways & stairwells as well as bathrooms, cleaning and maintaining floors and trash removal, as well as other projects that may arise. Must be good with children and willing to be flexible. If interested in this position, please contact the parish center @ 413-536-4558.



"LENTEN MISSION OF HOPE-2026"

with Rev. James Nolte

6:30 p.m.

Monday 3/23 ~ Tuesday 3/24 ~ Wed 3/25

Ste. Rose de Lima Church

Join us for prayer, scripture reflection, an examination of conscience to help prepare the way to confession and spiritual renewal. Lite refreshments afterwards.

SHRINERS FUNDRAISER—Sat. April 18th, 2026 6:00 pm

Deacon Dan Prats of Ste. Rose de Lima in Chicopee is putting on his dancing shoes in support of a compassionate cause and is hoping to be represented by all who know him and share in his ministry. Come! Join me in the fun and fellowship for a great cause!

For ways to support or donate contact Deacon Dan 413-478-8255 or Daniel.prats@yahoo.com



The Seder is a Jewish ritual that combines food, song, and storytelling to commemorate the exodus from Egypt. The word "seder" is Hebrew for "order".

STE. ROSE DE LIMA PARISH PASSOVER SEDER MEAL—

Monday ~ Mach 30th, 2025 ~ 5:30 p.m. In the church hall.

Tickets \$12.00 per person. Tickets will be available in at church or in the Parish Center. (we will announce the when tickets will be available).

The meal is in 2 parts: the first is the ceremonial foods (Wine or grape juice, Matzoh, parsley, horseradish, roasted lamb bone, an egg, and horset; the second—the feasting foods will include baked chicken , green salad, horset, glazed carrots and dessert (served in the church hall).

Come and experience the "Last Supper" that Jesus celebrated with his disciples!



Friday's throughout Lent 6:00 p.m. (Good Friday 3:00 p.m.)

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. Join us as we journey through the Stations of the Cross, Friday's beginning February 20th through March 27th (Good Friday April 3rd 3:00 p.m.). Questions or more information, please see Deacon Mike or Deacon Dan.

ST. ANNE PARISH LENTEN MISSION—

30 College Street Chicopee, MA
w/ Rev. William Tourigny "Surrender & Abandonment"

Monday 3/2, Tuesday 3/3 6:00 p.m.

Come to listen, pray, adore, be reconciled and renew your Trust in Jesus. Hymes * Liturgy of the Hours * Reflection* Benediction *Adoration * Confession Entrust your life, your family, your worries, and your future to the loving Will of God. All are welcome, no registration required!

SPECIAL TIME FOR CHALICE OF SALVATION

Because of NBC's coverage of the 2026 Winter Olympics—the weekly televised Mass, **The Chalice of Salvation** will air at 6am on Sundays February. 8, 15, & 22. Please share this news with your Catholic shut-ins and those in long term healthcare facilities.

Real to Reel, the weekly diocesan news magazine program will be pre-empted for Olympic coverage on Saturday February 14.

We are most grateful to the management and staff at WWLP for finding alternative times for the **Chalice** program during these busy broadcast weeks.

Bethlehem House, a ministry to new families, is in desperate need of volunteers on Mondays & Thursdays. Hours vary, training will be provided, all you need is your passion to help families in need.

#1) Secretary every other week, approximately 4 hours—you pick the day.

#2) Volunteers to assist families as they come in once a week to pick up their weekly items. Wednesday or Thursday, 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

#3). Monday and/or Tuesday to prepare items for distribution. (10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon or 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.)

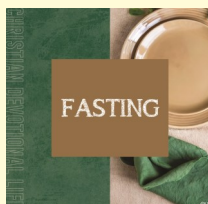
Contact Bethlehem House @ 413-262-8517 or 413-527-2861

Community Supper Update!



We want to thank everybody that came out to celebrate our Portuguese Heritage themed dinner. It was a huge success and we owe it all to the wonderful volunteers who help make this a continued success of bringing the community together. Special recognition goes to Ines Dzierzowski & her mother Tina Marie and family who coordinated the delicious Portuguese food & desserts. As always we would like to thank and recognize the Community Supper committee for their continued support and dedication.

See you next month, March 16, 2026 for our St. Patrick's Day Celebration including Corned Beef & Cabbage.



Fasting, Explained The practice of fasting predates Christianity. The Old Testament is full of examples of righteous men and women mortifying their flesh for the purpose of making atonement or simply to grow closer to God. Jesus himself fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for the beginning of his public ministry, and we see his disciples following his example in the Acts of the Apostles. Fasting continues to be an important part of Christian devotional life today. Many people feel the practice of fasting enhances their prayer and helps them fulfill St. Paul's advice to "put to death the deeds of the body" (Romans 8:13) to grow in the Spirit. Most Catholics will associate fasting with the liturgical season of Lent, which begins and ends with obligatory fasting for all members of the Latin Catholic Church between ages 18 and 59.