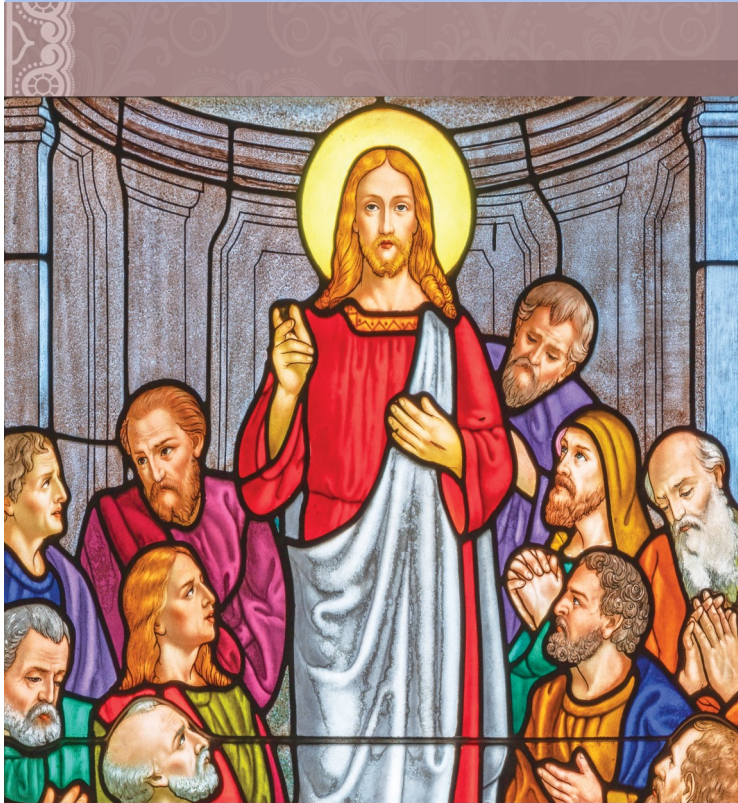




STE. ROSE DE LIMA COMMUNITY



24th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'" Matthew 18:21-22

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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

09/13/2026

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GRANDPARENTS DAY

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DAY

Sat.	Sept 12	4:00 p.m.	† Emile Labonte by Denise
Sun.	Sept 13	7:30 a.m.	† Roland Chapdelaine by Diane & Donald Chapdelaine
		9:00 a.m.	† John Laflamme (45th anniv) by the family of Claire & Ernie Laflamme
		11:00 a.m.	† Marcel (50th anniv) & Cecile (25th anniv) Fleury by family
		4:00 p.m.	† Mark White by family
Mon.	Sept 14	7:00 a.m.	† Claire Cote by her husband Rene' Cote
Tue.	Sept 15	7:00 a.m.	† Umberto Manno by Angelina Manno & family
Wed.	Sept 16	7:00 a.m.	† Joseph Krassler by family
Thur.	Sept 17	7:00 a.m.	† Liette Plasse by Sandra & John Peret
Fri.	Sept 18	7:00 a.m.	† Richard Durante by his sister Michaela Durante
(School Mass)		9:00 a.m.	Mass of thanksgiving—for all friends who have helped me in the past by Peg Belanger
Sat.	Sept 19	4:00 p.m.	† Rene Fagnant (93rd birthday) by wife & children
Sun.	Sept 20	7:30 a.m.	† Richard Paquette by his family
		9:00 a.m.	† Carol Broyles by Angelina Manno
		11:00 a.m.	† Romeo & Jeanne Fournier by daughter Peggy Constant
		4:00 p.m.	† Deacon Joseph & Mildred Smith by their daughter Sharon Smith

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen*

September Host: In loving memory: **the Leclerc family
by Paul, Laurie & family**
September Lamp : In loving memory of: **Rene Fagnant
by his wife & children**

PRAYER REQUESTS



The family and friends of: Donald & Christine
Champigny (GS 9/14), Justo Santos, Max Kreiger
*May God hold their souls and the souls of our faithful de-
parted in the palm of His hands.*

Stewardship For Weekend: September 6, 2026

**Due to early bulletin transmission for the Labor Day
weekend the totals for 9/6 will be reported in next
weeks bulletin.**

**As always, thank you for your continued support and
ever present generosity!**

SJA BOOSTER CLUB - this weeks weekly winner is
136 Madelyn Korytko . 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.

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

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 unique-
ness and dignity of every person, without exception or distinc-
tion."*



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.

09/12/2026 Team # 4 Specials: Roasted Turkey w/stuffing
09/19/2026 Team # 1 Kitchen is open regular menu
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
in the church? All are welcome!



**Coffee & Donuts is a great way
to serve our parish community!**
**Due to the retirement of 5 of our
members for family obligations,
we are in need of new volun-
teers to help with our Coffee &
Donut Social after the 9:00 a.m.
mass. If you are interested in
volunteering, please contact
Darlene Proulx @ 413-209-6680.
We really need your help!**

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 or special anniversary
acknowledged. Contact Darlene Proulx @ 413-209-6680 If you
are having a special occasion celebrated in the church during
9:00 a.m. mass and plan on coming downstairs afterward,
please let Darlene know 2 weeks prior so she can up the do-
nut order.



WE ARE HIRING!
ST. ROSE CEMETERY
Olsen Street, Chicopee, MA



**We are looking for a reliable, hardworking Ceme-
tery Groundskeeper to join our maintenance
team. You will help maintain the beauty and safe-
ty of our grounds, prepare gravesites for intern-
ments, and assist respectfully families visiting
the cemetery. 32 hrs. per week (possibility of
more) , ability to perform physical labor out-
doors in various weather conditions , mowing,
landscaping, basic maintenance of properties,
snow removal, plowing. Interested in becoming
part of the team, contact Juan Hernandez @ 413-
536-6298.**

**STE. ROSE DE LIMA ~ ST JOAN OF ARC COMMUNITY PICNIC IN
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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026
12:00 PM—5:30 PM**

**Tickets are on sale now ~ after all masses! Or can be
purchased at the parish center
Mon—Thur 9-5pm & Fri 9-3pm!**

**Join us for a fun filled day of games, laughter, and community spirit!
Come celebrate faith, friendship, and joy of being part of our parish
and school family!**

**Interested in donating items for the raffle baskets or bicycle raffles?
Please contact Aida 413-519-1404.**

TICKETS \$7.00 CHILDREN 13 & UNDER ARE FREE

Tickets purchased at the gate will be \$ 8.00

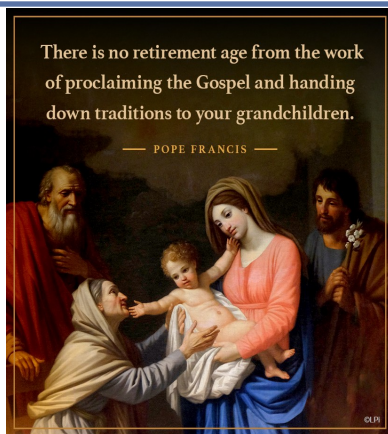
**Early ticket sales helps us know how many people to buy food
& supplies for. Please consider getting you tickets purchased
early!**

**NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING & EXTRAORDINARY MIN-
ISTERS TRAINING FOR THE HOME BOUND—
SEPTEMBER 23, 2026 6:00 pm**

"Serve the parish family by sharing the Body and Blood of Christ. Train-
ing is provided for all new extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion.
Please contact either Deacon Mike Trznadel or Julie Prats
@ 413-536-4558

**NEW LECTOR TRIANING -
SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 6:00 pm**

"Proclaim the Word of God to our community. Lectors bring the Sunday
readings to life for all who gather. All skill levels and adults are welcome
to join." Please contact Deacon Mike Trznadel or Julie Prats
@ 413-536-4558



A Blessing for Grandparents

Dear God,

Bless the grandparents in our community. Stir in them a sense of caring, thoughtfulness, and kindness toward their preceding generations. Like St. Anne and St. Joachim, inspire them to live lives of brave faith and virtue. Give them and their families warm memories, happy times, and bright hope. Amen.

SEPTEMBER—OUR LADY OF SORROWS

**Th entire month of September is set aside to meditate on deep
grief and seven sorrows experienced by the Virgin Mary.**

**The official liturgical memorial or feast day is celebrated annu-
ally on September 15 (the day right after the Feast of the Exal-
tation of the Holy Cross on September 14th).**

**The seven sorrows: these events include Simeon's prophecy,
the flight to Egypt, the loss of Jesus in the Temple, meeting
Jesus on the way to Calvary, the crucifixion, taking Jesus
down from the cross, and his burial.**

Pastoral Minister's Corner:

The Biblical Walk Through the Mass

Thanks Be to God

At the end of the **First Reading**, the Lector says, "The Word of the Lord." And our response, which is like a great announcement, shout, or a trumpet call, reminding us how marvelous it is for human beings to hear God speak to us through the Scriptures is **Thanks Be to God**. Thanksgiving is a common form of worship in the Bible from the Old Testament (see 1 Chronicles 16:4; Psalms 42:4; 95:2) to the New (Colossians 2:7; 4:2). The specific words, "Thanks **be to God**" were used by St Paul to thank the Lord for delivering him from sin and death (see Romans 7:25; 1 Corinthians 15:57; 2 Corinthians 2:14). Since the bible ultimately points to Christ's work of salvation, it is fitting that we to respond to the Scriptures with the same expression of gratitude as St. Paul used in his joyful thanksgiving for Christ's victory on the Cross: "**Thanks be to God!**" So therefore, let's not let our responses be mumbled or half-hearted, may we respond like men and women who are in awe that we have been blessed to have our king personally speak to us. May our hearts resound with amazement for his Word as we fervently say, "**Thanks be to God!**" As we now sit in a moment of silence as we reflect on the words we just heard, may we become like Mary, who "kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (Luke 2:19). Next week we will look at Responsorial Psalm. Have a great week and God Bless. In Christ, Julie

**GOSPEL MEDITATION— ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 18:21-35**



In my parish, there was once a new employee who frequently told me she was sorry for various imperfections in her work. It could be a little tiring. I finally told her, "You know, you don't have to say 'sorry' so often." She looked me right in the eyes and said, "Father, you're right. I'm sorry." Her ear-to-ear grin betrayed that she enjoyed the irony — and that she would keep asking for forgiveness as often as she needed it.

The Gospel reading this week proclaims to us that God, in Jesus, delights in numerous requests for, and the granting of, forgiveness. To Peter's question, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus responds, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." In other words, Peter, stop counting. Christian life should be marked by a commitment to frequent forgiveness. God never tires of forgiving us. His limitless love has overcome the power of vengeance, hatred, and division. We tap into that each and every time we ask for forgiveness or extend it to another. How beautiful our hearts become when they become accustomed to frequent forgiveness! How joyful and attractive become our marriages, families, and parish communities! How light our souls feel when unburdened by the habit of keeping score.

Challenge: Name one thing, small or large, for which you could ask forgiveness from someone in your life.

Then do it.— Father John Muir