

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ August 25, 2019

Readings: +Isaiah 66:18-21 +Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 +Luke 13:22-30

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Aug 24 – Saturday 4:00 PM Louis Dugre by his family
Aug 25 – Sunday 7:30 AM Robert Ballou by Jeannette
21st Ordinary Sunday 9:00 AM Ivan Trombley (2nd Ann) by Elaine
11:00 AM Elizabeth Thomas by her family
4:00 PM Gerard Connor, Jr by Laura Boone
Aug 26 – Monday 7:00 AM Lionel Lemieux by Norm & Denise
Aug 27 - Tuesday 7:00 AM In gratitude for a favor granted by a parishioner
Aug 28 – Wednesday 7:00 AM Tom Tucker (5th Ann) by his wife, Anita & family
Aug 29 – Thursday 7:00 AM William Martin (B'day rem) by the Proulx family
8:45 AM School Mass: Ronald & Doris Berthiaume
Aug 30 - Friday 7:00 AM Robert Beaulieu by Louise & Ed Osetek
Aug 31 – Saturday 4:00 PM Henry Labonte (19th Ann) by his daughter, Denise
Sep 01 – Sunday 7:30 AM Gladys Beaudry by her husband, Richard
22nd Ordinary Sunday 9:00 AM Colette St. Cyr by her son, Michael Laflamme
11:00 AM Kathleen Mrzyglod Charbonneau by Karen & Marty Couture
4:00 PM Lorraine Desjardins (Ann) by her family

THIS WEEK
+Tuesday – Aug 27
7:30PM AA/Ch
+Thursday – Aug 29
8:45AM Opening Day School Mass

Visit www.sterose.org

BINGO 8/24/19 Team 3 **PARISH STEWARDSHIP:** 8/18/19 Offertory: \$11,428.00 Assumption \$1,736.00
BINGO 8/31/19 Team 4 School Support: \$3,059.00 Thank you for your support!
SJA BOOSTER CLUB: 8/18/19 Week 13 #137 Raymond Cloutier

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS The souls and families of Denise Roy, Thomas Nallen, Yolande Leblond, and all those who have asked for prayers.

EWTN is offering a movie **this Saturday, August 24th at 8PM** entitled “**St. Rose of Lima**”. It will be repeated Monday 8/26 at 1:30AM if you are able to record it for replay. Seeing she is our Patron Saint, you might want to tune in and find out a little bit more about her spirituality and life. Her Feast day was Friday, August 23rd. *Ste. Rose de Lima, pray for us!*

RELIGIOUS ED CCD registrations are being accepted for the 2019/2020 school year. If you haven't received your paperwork, please contact Cindee Gagnon at 536-4558 or by email at cindee@sterose.org **We are in need of a 7th and 8th grade teacher for CCD.** We train and the curriculum is supplied. If you're interested, please contact Cindee. Please consider teaching and sharing our faith with these wonderful students. Thank you.

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL, 587 Grattan St., Chicopee. Is now accepting 2019-2020 registrations for Kinder through Gr. 8. SJA students enjoy a friendly and secure classroom. The school has innovative offerings that include before and after school child care, free breakfast and lunch, accelerated computer classes, SuperKids Reading Program, physical education, music, “Class Buddies”, IXL Math, foreign language lab, NJHS and free extracurricular activities. Financial Aid and tuition assistance available. Call Chris or Gail in the Business Office @ 536-6038 for registration information. Visit www.sjachicopee.org

SJA PRE-K Do you know where your 4-year old will be going to school this September? St. Joan of Arc School has some Pre-Kinder slots available. Children must be four years old by September 1st. We offer two through five days. All days are full days. Our Pre-Kinder offers gym, music, “class buddies”, free breakfast and lunch. Before and after school programs are available. For more information, visit www.sjachicopee.org or call 533-1475 and ask for Gail or Chris in the Business Office.

ST. JOAN OF ARC CRAFT FAIR is scheduled for **Sunday, October 6, 2019** from 9AM-3PM, at the Knights of Columbus, Council #69, 460 Granby Road, Chicopee. Mark your calendars! Contact mfbresnahan@comcast.net for more info.

STE ROSE BIG E TICKET BLOOD DRIVE will be held **Thursday, September 5th from 2:00PM TO 7:00PM** at St. Rose de Lima Church. Each eligible donor will receive a Big Y gift card or a Big E ticket! Make your appointment today by contacting Kim Fournier 413-210-2193 OR walk-ins are always welcome! Sponsored by Baystate Health Blood Donor Program.

RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets regularly on Tuesdays, from September through April. This program is for all non Catholics interested in starting a new chapter in their lives by joining the Catholic Church or for baptized Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. If you're interested, please contact the Parish office 536-4558 and ask for Peggy. **Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:30PM.** We're also inviting Parishioners who would like a refresher course on the meaning of these Sacraments of Initiation to join us. All are welcome!

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,
Back to School!***

Thursday, August 29th the school-aged population of Chicopee will return to their classrooms! St. Joan of Arc School, which has seen a slight “bump” in enrollment, will celebrate an opening day Mass at 9:00AM in Ste. Rose de Lima Church. All are welcome to attend the Mass as we will collectively pray for a successful school year, not only for SJA, but for all school-aged children in our parish and in Chicopee.

So, to all drivers: Please drive more cautiously as children will once again be returning to school. In other words please “slowdown” as you drive throughout our neighborhoods. Did you know that the posted speed limit on Grattan Street is 25 MPH!!

Recruiting Ste. Rose de Lima Parishioners!

*First and foremost, there is a critical shortage of ushers/collectors at all Saturday and Sunday Masses. This volunteer position is available to all members of the parish -- male and female -- and to any student that's at least 16 years of age. Please consider taking on the role of usher/collector at the liturgy you customarily attend.

*Secondly, now that the parish year is beginning, we **need** volunteers in the following ministries:

1. Altar Servers – youth and adults.
2. Youth Choir and Adult Choir members. Our new Director of Music is Ernie Hadley is anxious “to grow” our parish music programs.
3. Lectors and Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist for both liturgical and non-liturgical ministries.
4. The Parish Picnic is September 8th – volunteers are needed.
5. Religious Education instructors.
6. Community Life Commission members.

The list could go on! That Ste. Rose de Lima Parish may grow and prosper it will take all members to work together.

And finally,

Several new families have joined Ste. Rose de Lima Parish during these summer months. We welcome you to Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. If you are a person/family seeking a parish to which you can belong, especially since the pastoral plan of Chicopee was implemented several years ago, know that you are most welcome. There are still many Chicopee Catholics who have been either unaffiliated or non-practicing since 2009. If each member of Ste. Rose could become an evangelist – a bearer of good news – and share your love for God as we experience living out our faith as a Catholic in the faith community of Ste. Rose, we could “grow” our parish. We do live in challenging times, especially as a Catholic Church. The faith; however, is that of the Apostles. The faith has been shaken numerous times over the centuries – it's being tested today! We can pray together for a renewal of the Church especially among the members of the clergy. Laity and clergy can renew the Church. Let's pray for the conversion of the Church, clergy and laity alike, that we learn from the past and forge together to a better tomorrow.

Fr. Bill

9/11 MEMORIAL MASS ~ The 13th Annual Deanery-wide Memorial Mass honoring the memory of the innocent victims and selfless heroes who perished in the tragic terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, will be offered at **7:00PM on Wednesday, September 11th at St. Anne Parish**, located at 30 College St., in the Fairview section of Chicopee. Please join us, as we gather to raise our voices in prayer and song not only for the innocent victims, including those first responders, fire, police, and emergency medical technicians who simply went to work that day.. and never came home, but also for the families and friends whom they've left behind. A light reception will follow in the St. Anne Church hall immediately following the Mass. ***There will be a combined choir at the Mass. Anyone interested in singing, please attend a rehearsal at 7:00PM at St. Anne Church on Wednesday, September 4th.***

PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, September 8, 2019 from Noon to 5:30PM at the K of C #69, Granby Rd., Chicopee. Admission tickets to the picnic go on sale following all Masses beginning this weekend, August 17 and 18. The advance price tickets are: **\$8.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children and children under 3 are free. All the food you can eat and soft drinks, includes children's carnival games.** The Picnic information letter and the raffle booklets have been mailed to your homes. The RAFFLE PRIZES are: Cash prizes totaling \$2,000 and a 48" VIZIO Smart LED HDTV. Donation \$1.00 per chance or \$5.00 per book of 6. ***Please make your check payable to Ste. Rose de Lima Church.*** You can make your raffle ticket returns by dropping them off or mailing them to Ste. Rose Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee, MA 01020 or dropping them in the collection basket during Mass in an envelope marked “Picnic”. Extra raffle tickets are available at the Pastoral Center during regular office hours, Mon-Fri 9-5PM ***VOLUNTEERS needed for the morning and day of the Picnic to help set up tables and we also need cooks at the grills. Please call Aida if you're willing to help 519-1404. Thank you***

Our Patroness, Ste. Rose de Lima's feast day was Friday, August 23rd... Let us pray:
Dear St. Rose of Lima, as Patroness of our Parish family, please watch over and protect all of our families. **Solitary Rose,** help us to make time and space in our daily lives *for God.* **Compassionate Rose,** help us to express our love and care for the poor. **Rose of the Cross,** teach us to endure our daily crosses in life so that we may come to know Jesus more each day. **Rose of Fidelity,** help us to put our trust in the Lord at all times. **Rose of the Saints,** help us through your example to walk closer with Jesus and His Church. **Rose of the Sick,** teach us to see the Lord in those who are sick and in our own sufferings, knowing that all crosses can lead us to know Christ. **Rose, Spouse of Jesus,** may your life inspire us to become one with the Lord and inspire us to abide in His love and come to that complete joy that you gained in your time on earth. Finally, at the hour of our death, bring us to Heaven where you live with Mary and all the Saints, in union with Christ, Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. **Amen.**

CHICOPEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS is hiring substitute crossing guards/bus monitors. Please apply @ 180 Broadway, Chicopee Falls, or call 594-3520 for additional information.

COMEDY AND MYSTERY DINNER The South Hadley St. Patrick's Parade Committee is hosting a comedy and mystery dinner Entitled "Murder is in the Stars" on Saturday, September 14th at 6:00PM at St. Patrick's Social Center, 30 Main St., South Hadley. Cost is \$40.00 p.p. and dinner will be provided by Amadeo's Restaurant. Cash bar and raffle prizes will also be available. If interested, please contact Jacqueline Reardon @ 413-536-7732.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RETREAT BY THE SEA – Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford, Maine, September 10-13, 2019. "Do Small Things with Great Love." Retreats provide a sacred space for ongoing conversion of heart, so critical to deepening our faith. The cost of the retreat is \$425 for a single room or \$385 per person for a shared double room. The price includes all meals and transportation. For more information contact Dianne Chagnon at 413-222-3978 or Cheryl Kubic at 972-567-7059 or email: cwretreatbythesea@gmail.com

2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL Walking in the footsteps of our risen Lord means we are putting "**Our Faith in Action.**" If you have not yet done so, there is still time to make a donation or pledge to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal and become the face of the Catholic Church to your neighbors in need. Your combined contributions reach the unborn, children at risk, the sick, the elderly, the dying across Western Mass. You help to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, and clothe those in need. As of 8/2/19, **418 of our parish families have donated \$46,068.00** in cash and pledges. Thank you very much. You may remit a donation either through returning the ACA materials you received in the US Mail or on line at <http://givecentral.org/dosma>. We hope to surpass and are almost at last year's total of \$48,913. A sincere thank you to all who have already donated.

COME TO THE TABLE OF PLENTY ~ FEED YOUR SOUL AT NOONTIME Are you in the downtown Springfield area at noontime? Take advantage of the St. Francis of Assisi Chapel for Mass, 254 Bridge Street, Springfield. Masses are celebrated **Tuesdays through Fridays at 12:05PM.** If you are looking for a little peace in the midst of a busy day, try spending Time with God and receive the Eucharist. You can feed your soul as well as your stomach on your lunch hour! Hope you can join us!

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY will be prayed every 2nd Sunday of the month at 3:00PM in Blessed Sacrament Church, 1945 Northampton St., Holyoke, MA. You are invited to come and bring your family and share in the love and mercy of Jesus by joining others in this devotion at Blessed Sacrament Church.

IHM SUMMERFEST Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 256 State St., Granby, Ma invites you to their Annual Chicken BBQ & Roast Pork Summer Festival. **Sunday, August 25, 2019 from 12:00 Noon to 4PM.** Cost: \$12/pp adults & \$8/pp kids (12 & under). Games, 50/50 Raffle, Bake Sale, etc. Hamburg & Hot Dogs also available. Ample parking on the church grounds. Any questions? Please call 413-467-9821.

AN ALPHA COURSE starts at Mt. Carmel Church, 123 William St., Springfield, **September 5th.** On ten Thursdays 6-8:30PM, a light supper, a DVD talk about Big Life Questions in a Christian context, and small group conversation. No church connection is necessary, but even Church faithful enjoy surprising insights. No cost, but please register to Linda Tammi 348-8242 linaatammi@gmail.com or Joyce Rosati 566-2033. There may be a waiting list.

QUARTER AUCTION at Mt. Carmel Parish Center, 103 William St., Springfield, MA, **September 21st at 5PM.** Shop at vendor tables, purchase a light supper, raffle baskets. Add a \$5 admission and you get an auction paddle to bid quarters on presented vendor wares, and to be door prize eligible. This benefits 13 "Holy Cannolis" funding their way to the National Catholic Youth Conference in November. **VENDORS** for the Quarter Auction on 9/21 may rent a table \$25. Call Christine DiVenuto 204-7789. We will not duplicate vendor products.

RIVIER RETREAT "An Invitation to Walk with Jesus," a specially designed 10-week retreat/directed prayer experience for groups of 10-12 will be offered at St. Anne Parish Hall, 30 College St., Chicopee, on Wednesday evenings, September 4-

November 13, from 6:30-8:00PM. A closing retreat Mass will be held on Nov. 16. Materials will be provided. For reservations or more information, contact Janine Bonin at 413-575-2861

SCOUT RETREAT: GSUSA, BSA, & AHG "Strength in Numbers. Facilitated by members of the Catholic Committee on Scouting along with NET Ministries. Organized by the Catholic Committee on Scouting in the Dio9ces of Springfield. Held at Camp Holy Cross, 108 Camp St., Goshen, MA 01032 on **September 27-29, 2019**. Cost: Early Bird Rate \$35 pp if registered and payment received by 9/1. After that, regular rate is \$40 pp. Registration ends 9/20/10. Register online at <https://www.wmascouting.org/2019scoutretreat> or mail in the registration form with payment. This is open to all member of the *Girl Scout, Boy Scout and American Heritage Girl Programs* who are in **Grades 6-12** and youth interested in scouting and their adult leaders. Contact Pam Kosnicki 413-283-3242 or pamdkos@verizon.net for more info.

BUS TRIP: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 256 State St., Granby, MA is offering this upcoming trip
THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR – Friday, November 15, 2019. Lunch is included at PJ Moran's \$199.00 p.p. – 2PM Show. Meal choices: Grilled Chicken/ Steak Frites / Blackened Salmon / Dessert: NY Cheesecake. Call Marilyn 413-467-9821 or 413-467-3382. Make checks payable to Marilyn Menard. Deposit \$100 pp due at sign up. Full balance due 10/1/2019. **TRIP** departs from Immaculate Heart of Mary at 7:30AM on day of trip. Tours provided by First Choice Tours.

RACHEL VINEYARD RETREATS *If you are experiencing emotional or spiritual difficulties from a past abortion or abortions, you are not alone.* Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post- abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Retreat Weekends for the Diocese of Springfield will be held on **September 27- 29 (en Espanol) ; November 1-3 (in English)**. To register, please call (413) 452-0661 or 516 457-2838. All calls are confidential. For information, please visit www.rachelsvineyard.org.

DOLLY AND FRIENDS PRESENTS: *All trips depart from the Family Moose Club Center, 244 Fuller Rd, Chicopee. Call Dolly 530-3813 to register. Your check for the required amount should be mailed to: Dolly Asselin, PO Box 1192, Chicopee, MA 01021-1192. Include name, address and phone # and meal choice if one is offered.*

9/ CHRISTMAS AT THE NEWPORT MANSIONS, Thursday, December 12, 2019 Tour the Breakers, The Elms and Marble House decked in Yuletide finery. Lunch on your own at the new Welcome Center at the Breakers. Browse gift shops and pick up a few things. Enjoy family style dinner at Wright's Farm Restaurant and feast on home cooked chicken, pasta with marinara sauce, French fries, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. **Price \$94 p.p.** includes self guided audio tour of three mansions, family style chicken dinner at Wright's Farm motorcoach transportation, meal tax and gratuities including driver. Depart 7:45AM. Return 7:30PM.

10/ HOLIDAY LIGHTS SHOW – Tower Hill Botanic Garden, Wednesday, December 18, 2019 Holiday Lights Show at Tower Hill Botanic Garden in Boylston,MA. Lights displayed both indoors and outdoors with plenty of benches to sit and enjoy this wonderful light display. Prior to your visit stop at family owned and operating Christmas shop at Oakwood Farm Christmas Barn in Spencer MA. Enjoy a late lunch at O'Connor's Restaurant & Bar. Pre-select Patrick's Pecan Chicken, Baked Boston Schrod, Beef, Mushroom & Guinness Pie, or Butternut Squash Ravioli served with garden salad, Irish brown bread rolls, Frozen Bailey's Irish Cream Pie with hot fudge sauce and coffee or hot tea. **Price \$85 p.p.** Includes: Visit Oakwood Farm Christmas Barn, late lunch, admission to Night Lights Tower Hill Botanic Garden, motorcoach transportation, meal tax and gratuities (including driver) Depart 11AM. Return 7:30PM.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION St. Rose de Lima offers First Friday Eucharistic Adoration following the 7AM Mass every First Friday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration until 3PM at which time the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed followed by the Blessed Sacrament Benediction. (If there is a School Mass or a Funeral Mass in the morning, the Blessed Sacrament is reposed until after the Mass when Adoration will again be available). All are invited to spend time before our Eucharistic Lord in prayer.

THE MASS BOOK FOR 2020 is now available Nancy, our receptionist's hours are from **12 Noon to 5PM, Mon-Fri**. She will be pleased to assist you. The offering for Masses is \$10.00. Also available are Hosts for the month for an offering of \$35.00 and the Church Sanctuary Lamp for the month for an offering of \$25.00.

IRELAND TOUR The John Boyle O'Reilly Club is offering an exciting, new autumn 2019 Ireland Tour (**October 1-11, 2019**) with 2 nights-Dublin, 3 nights-Galway, 4 nights-Dingle & many special highlights. Cost: \$3,288 pp for doubles & all gratuities included. For more info & bookings, call Joyce Bosworth at 413-330-6363. Visit www.jbo-club.com for our detailed itinerary.

WANTED: WWII AND KOREAN VETS! A Day to remember, because we will never forget. Honor Flight New England Transports World War II and Korean War Veterans to see THEIR Memorial in Washington, DC at NO COST to those that served. **Honor Flight New England:** Contact us now for a Veteran application 603-518-5368 * www.honorflightnewengland.org

THE STE. ROSE de LIMA PARISH FAMILY COOKBOOK The cookbooks are available at the Pastoral Center. The cost is \$15.00 per cookbook. All proceeds benefit our new kitchen. Checks made payable to **Ste. Rose de Lima Church**. Thanks!

LEAGUE OF THE SACRED HEART A group of men from the Parish of Ste. Rose de Lima have formed a men's group known as the League of the Sacred Heart. The purpose of the group is to support our Pastor, Fr. Bill Tourigny and be of support to members of the League of the Sacred Heart, or other non-members of our group. Examples of support are: Serving at Morning Mass as Altar Servers or as Eucharistic Ministers and as Adult Servers for Funerals. Other examples of support are offered in various ways: Volunteer to work at food kitchens, at the Parish Picnic, Bazaars or bringing Communion to homebound parishioners. Our meetings vary. During the spring and fall seasons, our meetings are held in the evenings at the Pastoral Center or at a local restaurant for dinner and refreshments. During the winter months, our meetings are often held at the Pastoral Center followed by a buffet lunch. Our get togethers provide us with a perfect opportunity to exchange ideas, reach out to other parishioners and guests to form an Esprit de Corps. We hope this information will interest you and you will consider joining us.

2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

God our Father, you are the giver of all gifts. We thank you for the gift of faith and the blessings we receive out of your love for us. Open our eyes and our hearts to see the needs of our brothers and sisters. Inspire in us words and actions to comfort those who labor and are burdened. Strengthen us to put our faith into action and reach out to others as Jesus has taught us. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love and mercy of Jesus Christ in us. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

THERE'S A SCAM GOING AROUND Please be aware that your parish priest and all priests in the diocese **never** solicit funds via text messages or emails or phone calls that involve gift cards and, if you should receive any type of communication that seems suspicious, you should report it to your local police and to the parish office. Anyone asking for help via a gift card of any type should be viewed with suspicion. Be vigilant of these fake requests, do not comply.

HARMONY HOUSE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS Start the new year by volunteering to help others! Harmony House, Inc., a home for the terminally ill, is always in need of volunteers to support their mission of providing a loving home with compassionate care for the terminally ill. Volunteers of all types are needed to keep the home running smoothly and provide emotional and physical support for our residents. The organization is in need of direct care support people, such as CNA's, PCA's, LPN's, and RN's. Just as important, the home needs people who can help with companionship, cooking, cleaning, yard work, clerical fundraising, and miscellaneous work around the house. Harmony House is located in Chicopee with easy access to local highways. If you are retired and looking to spend a few hours helping others, Harmony House may be the organization you are looking for. If you're a student and need to fill some volunteer hours, please call 413-331-5252 and leave a message. A board member or volunteer will be pleased to return your call to discuss our mission and how you can help. Harmony House is a local, non-profit organization whose mission is to provide a loving home providing compassionate care for the terminally ill who have limited or no resources for special care in their final stages of life. Harmony House is primarily staffed by trained volunteers including licensed nurses, caregivers, companions, and others.

GET WELL AND THINKING OF YOU CARDS can be mailed to Fr. Michael Bernier's new address: Rev. Michael Bernier, Mt. Greylock Extended Care, 1000 North St., Pittsfield, MA 01201. He's very grateful for all the well wishes he has received from our parishioners. Let us keep him in our thoughts and prayers!

HOSPITAL VISITS Please list your parish as St. Rose de Lima when being admitted to the hospital. If you wish a pastoral visit from Fr. Bill, or Deacon Michael during a hospital stay, please call the Pastoral Center 536-4558 to let us know. We are more than happy to visit you or your loved one but we need to be informed that you are there.

LECTIO DIVINA We meet on Mondays at **6:30PM** in the Pastoral Center. Lectio Divina (divine reading) is a way of studying the Bible through the careful reading and discussion of a Bible passage. New members always welcome. Please consider joining us and discovering a new way of reading the Gospels. It is recommended that you bring a notepad and pen.

COLLECTING 'BOX TOPS' FOR EDUCATION It's easy to find *Box Tops*. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them in to the collection box found in the church entrance, or drop them off at the Pastoral Center. Our Community Life Commission will see that the School gets them. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents and they add up fast. ALSO, **COLLECTING COCA-COLA CAPS** They're kind of like box tops and each one has a code and gives money to the school: SJA. Every Coke product has a code on the cap or fridge packs have a code on the inside of the box. Enter your codes online or bring them into school or church and we will make sure they get entered. You can put your donations of caps in the same box that we are collecting Boxtops. Thanks for taking the time and making the effort.

YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS for service at Sunday Mass. Because our new approach is "On the Job Training" our experienced servers are happy to mentor the new servers. If your daughter or son is interested in becoming an altar server, please encourage them. Speak to Fr. Bill or Deacon Mike after Mass or call the Pastoral Center 413-536-4558 Mon-Fri 9-5. The server must have made his/her First Communion to serve at the Altar.

MSGR. LEO LECLERC ENDOWMENT FUND Gifts to the St. Joan of Arc School's Msgr. Leo A. Leclerc Endowment Fund are accepted year round. Your gift is an investment in the educational and spiritual development of the students and maintain the building itself. The fund is used to perpetuate, partially support, and uphold the educational work of St. Joan of Arc School. Donations can be made online @ www.sjachicopee.org or mailed to SJA School, 587 Grattan St., Chicopee, MA 01020. Checks are made payable to The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield. Please note in the memo section: Msgr. Leo A. Leclerc Endowment. Thank you!

HEARTFELT MEALS from Ste. Rose de Lima has been delivering meals on the second Sunday of each month for over 10 years. We are in need of one permanent driver for the Doverbrook/Sheridan St. area. If we get two permanent drivers we will also expand to the Elms College area. This is a great group of people to work with who dedicate their time to prep work, cooking, clean up and driving. Do you have a couple of hours on the second Sunday of each month? To find out more about this worthy ministry, please call Gail Boone at 536-6038. Thank you!

COFFEE & DONUTS are offered after the 9:00AM Mass on Sundays. We invite you to join our Coffee & Donut Group as a guest or as a volunteer. We are in need of a few more helping hands on our schedule to help set up, serve and clean up. We are a helpful group and care about our workers. We welcome both women and men. If you care to volunteer, please call Darlene Proulx 413-552-0990 after 3:30Pm Tues-Fri or Pauline Zemrock 413-530-1074. Leave your name & number and we will get back to you. Thank you for considering our need. God bless you!

RELIGIOUS ED Please remember, our 1st Communion program is a 2 year program, meaning we begin preparing in first grade and continue in second grade, receiving this important sacrament the end of second grade. Our Confirmation program is a three year preparation, meaning the students are required to attend CCD classes beginning as a freshman, continuing as a sophomore and completing as a junior, with the exception of students attending Pope Francis High School. Those students only need to attend classes during their junior year, which is when all juniors will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Any questions, please contact Cindee. Thank you!

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL is pleased to announce a new tuition assistance fund specifically designated for graduates of St. Joan of Arc School attending Pope Francis High School. The SJA Tuition Assistance Fund has been created by an anonymous donor. Recipients will receive a \$1,000.00 award per year, all four years of attendance, for tuition assistance. We are grateful for the very generous gift that supports the continuation of Catholic education. Please contact the SJA Business Office 536-6038 to discuss the new program.

BIG Y EDUCATION EXPRESS St. Joan of Arc has joined the By Y Education Express! Please help us earn free equipment for our school. How? Sign up at bigy.com. If you already have an account, look for the Education Express icon and choose St. Joan of Arc School from the Chicopee Schools. If you do not have an account please click "Don't have a my Big Y Account" to create one. You need to fill in your name and Big Y card number. Then confirm your Big Y account information. Check "join Education Express and fill in your state, city and school. We know this is not always easy and appreciate each person who designates SJA School for their rewards.

EASY AND ENJOYABLE FUNDRAISER to help redo our church hall kitchen. *Texas Roadhouse* in Springfield has a church fundraiser program if you would like to have lunch and/or dinner at the **Texas Roadhouse** on any Sunday (Sunday's only for this fundraiser) and you bring a copy of our Church bulletin and give it to your server, 10% of your bill will be donated to Ste. Rose. This is only done on Sundays from 11:30AM-9:30PM. Enjoy a delicious Sunday meal at **Texas Roadhouse** (It's in the Five Town Plaza off of Cooley St, Springfield) and help raise money to redo our kitchen in the church hall. Bon Appetit!

CHURCH ENVELOPE PACKETS Several parishioners have asked about a **white envelope addressed to Ste. Rose de Lima Church** which is included in your monthly packet. Some parishioners choose to mail in their Parish support contribution for the entire month and use this envelope for their convenience. We thank you all for your continued support of our Parish!

STOP & SHOP A+ BONUS PROGRAM SJA School is once again participating in the Stop and Shop A+ School Rewards Program. If you already supported our school last year then there is no need to re-register for this school year. If you would like to register to help SJA School earn cash awards just for shopping at S&S please follow these directions: visit www.stopandshop.com and select Savings & Rewards. Follow the prompt to create your online account. You will need your 13-digit S&S card number, and the school ID #05332. Last June we received a check for \$1,092.77 from our Chicopee Stop & Shop store. We are using that money for cases of copy paper and to replace a couple of computers for teachers. Thank you!

SHRINERS HOSPITAL FUNDRAISER The Child Life team at Shriners Hospitals for Children in Springfield is able to provide procedural teaching with medical play using new stuffed animals. Together, the child and the stuffed animal can get dressed for a procedure by wearing surgical hats and masks. Pretend medical equipment is used to allow the child to become familiar with the hospital environment and will be more comfortable when the time comes for the nurse to listen to their heart or check their blood pressure. Child Life staff also use the stuffed animals to teach about the patient's surgery and will cast their animal's

arm or leg to match the patient! They help patients through their surgical experience. Donations can be mailed to Kim Fournier, PO Box 24, Chicopee, MA 01021.

SPIRITUAL READING LIBRARY Several members of the Evangelization and Spiritual Life Committee have reorganized the Spiritual Reading Library located in the vestibule of the Church. Books have been updated and categorized for parishioners to take home, to read, and to return at their convenience. Also, if parishioners would like to donate books they may leave them on the table in the vestibule of the Church. The library will be updated as new books are received.

CUB SCOUT PACK 138 invites adult volunteers interested in participating in our activities to visit our website www.cubscoutpack138.com or email: cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com for more information. Hope to hear from you soon

RESERVED PARKING FOR STAFF The Rectory Garage blacktop on Lafayette St. and the blacktop driveway at the Pastoral Center on Chapel St. is posted reserved parking for staff. Please allow us to come and go as the need calls. We understand parking is at a premium and we thank you for this courtesy.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST to the Homebound are reminded to please go to the sacristy after Mass to get the Host rather than during Communion. (Per Diocesan directives).

LOOKING FOR A CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP? St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Northampton has a Gift Shop which is open on Friday and Saturday 11-2PM. The sales are from 10% - 50% off. They have an assortment of Religious and Baptismal items and much more. Take Hawley St., on to Phillips Pl., driveway entrance on the left. Visit www.saintelizabethannseton.net under Parish Life.

OUR PRAY AND KNIT GROUP is always in need of extra yarn. Do you have any unwanted skeins you'd like to share? We'll put them to good use. Thank you!

BOY SCOUT TROOP #138 would like to thank the Parish for their support of our fundraisers. If you need information about our Boy Scout Troop, please call T.J. Noonan 592-8156.

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTER OFFERINGS: You can always find the complete listing of Holy Family events on the retreat center's web page. <https://holyfamilyretreat.org/bulletin> www.holyfamilyretreat.org

Saturday

STE. ROSE DE LIMA BINGO – Super Bingo Format
Early Bird 6:10PM - Games 6:15PM - \$15 & \$20 Entrance
Extra \$5 Packs – 2 WTA 50/50 – 2 \$1199 Progressives
Free Coffee & Tea --- Catered
Entrance until 6:30PM every Saturday - Elevator Available

Saturday

Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall -- 600 Grattan St -- Chicopee, MA -- 413-539-9259
