

Ste. Rose de Lima Church, 600 Grattan St., Chicopee, MA
Tel. 413-536-4558 ~~~~~ Pastor: Rev. William A. Tourigny

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

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May 02, 2021

Readings: + Acts 9:26-31 + 1 John 3:18-24 + John 15:1-8

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

May 01 – Saturday	4:00 PM Jeanne Rosalie Duquette Kubik by her Game Night Friends (resk 5/2/20)
May 02 – Sunday	7:30 AM Wilfred Peloquin, Jr. by Joanie Parks
5 th Sunday of Easter	9:00 AM Richard Roy (2 nd Ann) by Uncle Ulric & Aunt Claire Roy (resk 5/3/20)
	11:00 AM Daniel & Doris Gagnon (Wdg Ann rem) by daughter, Diane Duval (resk 5/3/20)
	4:00 PM Adrien & Estelle and Thomas Bergeron by Jeannette (resk 5/3/20)
May 03 – Monday	7:00 AM Stephen & Patrick Justice (B'days) by their mother, Lorraine
May 04 – Tuesday	7:00 AM Marietta Chapdelaine by Mildred Chapdelaine
May 05 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Clement Dugre by Roger Chapdelaine, Jr. & family
May 06 – Thursday	7:00 AM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
May 07 – Friday	7:00 AM Shirley Scoville by Peggy Constant
May 08 – Saturday	11:00 AM First Holy Communion
	4:00 PM Shirley Pelland (B'day) by Edward (resked 5/9/20)
May 09 – Sunday	7:30 AM Unwed Mothers by a parishioner (resked 5/10/20)
6 th Sunday of Easter	9:00 AM Rita LeBlanc by her husband, Gerard & family (resked 5/10/20)
	11:00 AM Cosimo & Maria Teresa Pisano by the Contabile family (resked 5/10/20)
	4:00 PM Bruna Manno by the family (resked 5/10/20)

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 4/25/21 Offertory: \$5,963.00 Thank you!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 4/25/2021 #113 Pauline Gendron

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING: The current Booster Club will end on May 3rd. The Grand Prize Drawing will be held at the Pastoral Center with members of the Staff in attendance. Winners will be announced in the Ste. Rose website bulletin.

NEW CLUB: A new club will begin the week of May 9th. Numbers are available for anyone interested in joining the next Booster Club; proceeds go to support St. Joan of Arc School. The club will run from May 10th to September 20th, 2021. Dues are \$5.00 per week (\$100.00 for the 20 weeks). There is a weekly \$100.00 winner. The final week's drawing has multiple winners, with prizes ranging from \$1,000.00 to \$100.00. If interested, please contact Sandy and Joe Chessey at (413) 592-6256.

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers the souls and families of Aiden Blanchard and Gerald Coderre.

Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,

Governor Baker announces the gradual lifting of COIVD restrictions

It has been fourteen months since Governor Baker placed restrictions due to the pandemic of COVID 19. The media has done a superb job in keeping the public up-to-date as these restrictions which are in the process of being lifted. The Diocese of Springfield continually updates the parishes as to what can and cannot be practiced

at Sunday Mass. This bulletin column will continue to publish the updated protocols for the celebration of all liturgical events in the life of the parish: Nuptial Masses, Liturgies of Christian Burial, Baptisms, School Masses, and Sunday Mass. As our society begins to embrace “a new and better normal” it is important to maintain the wearing of “facial masks” in larger public gatherings – at least for the time being. Please continue to wear a facial covering properly, that is, the mask must cover both mouth and nose. When approaching for the reception of Holy Communion, please keep the facial mask on your face until the Eucharist has been placed in your hand. Then proceed to remove the mask partially, consume the Eucharist, and replace the mask to full covering.

Communion in the Hand While there are some Catholics who may prefer to receive the Eucharist on their tongues, please continue to receive in your hands. At a later date, when it is safer to receive on the tongue, it will become an option again. However, for the safety of all congregants, communicants who prefer to receive on the tongue would need to be the last persons to receive the Eucharist. It is so easy for the priest, deacon, or minister of the Eucharist to accidentally touch the tongue. Should that occur, the distributor of the Eucharist **MUST** stop distributing the Eucharist and re-sanitize their hands before administering the Eucharist to the next person. For the time-being, please continue to receive the Eucharist in the hand.

The Role of the Laity at Sunday Mass

The role of the laity at the celebration of the Eucharist is significant! Lectors, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, and Greeters/Ushers, all play an important part of each Mass. With the relaxed protocols each of these ministries are now allowed to be fulfilled. The new protocol allows as many as six persons to be part of the choir. If individuals feel comfortable enough to return to fulfill these roles, please do so.

A New and Better Normal

A new and better normal period of adjustment is about to become part of our collective experience. Ste. Rose de Lima parish needs to recruit more volunteers to service all aspects of liturgical life. We need volunteers for the following roles/ministries:

- +Lectors
- +Special Ministers of the Eucharist
- +Greeters/Ushers
- +Altar servers both youth and adults for funerals
- +Choir members

Over the years the number of volunteers has dwindled in most, if not all, of the above-mentioned liturgical roles. It is time for the “rank and file” of the parish to step up to the plate and participate more fully in the liturgical life of the parish. The parish is requesting a little bit more of your time to assist at the Mass you normally attend. It is not enough to simply attend Mass; it is important to assist at Mass in a role in which you feel most comfortable. As we begin the phase of “a new and better normal” please consider how you can make a difference by participating more fully in the celebration of the Eucharist at Sunday Mass – you’ll be glad you did!

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal: Sowing the Seeds

The 2021 ACA is underway and as of April 22nd there are 375 contributors or 11.82% of the parish who have contributed \$46,355 to this year’s campaign. It would be wonderful to realize a 20-25% participation percentage to this appeal. Remember, no gift is too small, and no gift is too large to contribute to the ACA. You may do so by logging on to: www.diospringfield.org and click on the ACA Banner: Sowing the Seeds and make your contribution. Please read the financial statement of accountability so that you can be assured that your contribution is well spent for the benefit of Catholic Schools and agencies that serve the needs of so many, especially during these hard economic times due to the pandemic. ACA funds have never been used for settlements to victims of abuse. So, please contribute today! In the name of our new bishop, William Byrne, I thank you for your generous hearts. As of this writing, Ste. Rose is just under 91% of the goal of \$51,000.

Fr. Bill

RAFFLE CALENDAR FUNDRAISER St. Rose de Lima Community Life Committee joins with St. Joan of Arc School in sponsoring a Mother’s Day to Father’s Day Raffle Calendar. There will be 43 days of winning for only \$10.00 a calendar. Cash Prizes range from \$100 to \$500, along with prizes of jewelry, designer purses, tools, Golden Nozzle car wash, Home Depot & Lowes gift certificates, restaurant gift cards and much more. Perfect gifts to surprise your Mom and Dad, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles and those special loved ones in your life. Calendars are available in the back of the Church. They are also available at the Pastoral Center and from SJA families. Raffle stubs need to be returned by Monday, May 3rd. You can return them in the offertory basket or drop them off at the Pastoral Center. Checks are payable to Ste. Rose de Lima Church. This is an SJA tuition subsidy fundraiser used by the parish to continue parish support to the families who had been volunteering at Bingo. The first drawing is Mother’s Day, May 9th and runs through Father’s Day June 20th. Good luck and thank you for your support!

THE 2022 MASS BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE We are now reserving Masses for 2022. The offering for a Mass is \$10.00. Monthly Memorials of Sanctuary Lamp (\$25.00 for the month) and Hosts (\$35.00 for the month) are also available. There are still plenty of weekday (and a few weekend) Masses available from May through December 2021 if you're interested.

DRIVE-UP MEALS The Fairview Knights of Columbus, Council 4044, Memorial Drive, Chicopee is holding several Drive-Up meals in the coming weeks.

May 8th: *MEAT LOAF DINNER TO GO* on Saturday evening, May 8th. The meal includes Meatloaf, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, and Carrots. Orders must be received by 3PM Thursday, May 6th. Call Elaine at 413-533-3620 or 413-530-9594. Pick up is under the canopy between 4 and 6PM. \$10 per meal – cash or check.

May 22nd: *HALF-CHICKEN DINNER TO GO* on Saturday evening, May 22nd. The meal includes a Half Chicken, Oven-Roasted Potatoes, and Steamed Corn. Orders must be received by 3PM Thursday, May 20th. Call Elaine at 413-533-3620 or 413-530-9594. Pickup is under the canopy between 4 and 6PM. \$10 per meal - cash or check.

June 12th: *ROAST PORK DINNER TO GO* on Saturday evening, June 12th. The meal includes Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, and Green Beans. Orders must be received by 3PM Thursday, June 10th. Call Elaine at 413-533-3620 or 413-530-9594. Pick up is under the canopy between 4 and 6PM. \$10 per meal – cash or check

HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS with Bishop Byrne to be held on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:00PM at Holy Family Parish in So. Deerfield. For more information, please contact Fr. Jon Reardon 413-248-7034 or visit vocations@diospringfield.org.

THE REV. FRANCIS SHANNON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are now available to members of Ste. Rose de Lima Parish high school graduates or college students who wish to further their education. The applications are available at the Ste. Rose de Lima Pastoral Center or from Mary Rider, Chairperson at 413-533-2437. The Scholarship is a one-time grant. Completed applications must be returned to the Chairperson by May 15, 2021 with an official transcript of high school or college grades and a letter from their Pastor stating that the applicant is an active and participating member of the parish. Students who are former members of St. Mary's Parish in Willimansett and were enrolled in their CCD program at the time the church was closed may also apply.

SAVE THE DATE! After 3 successful years, the SJA PTO will be holding our *Savers FUNDrive* again this Spring. Think of us when doing your spring cleaning. We will be accepting bags of gently used clothes, bath, and linen items at the Ste. Rose Rectory garage on May 15th 2021 (9-1PM) to raise money for the St. Joan of Arc School. (No furniture or books). Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN: Ste. Rose has a team of volunteers who prepare and package the dinner meal at Lorraine's Soup Kitchen on the third Thursday of each month. We are currently in need of volunteers. Please contact Louise King at 413-313-3685 for more information. Thank you!

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.