

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

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

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May 16, 2021

Readings: + Acts 1:15, 17, 20a, 20c-26 + 1 John 4:11-16 + John 17:11b-19

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

May 15 – Saturday	4:00 PM David Allyn (B'day) by his parents (re-sked 5/16/20)
May 16 – Sunday	7:30 AM Darlene Desrosiers by Jim & Rita O'Dell
7 th Sunday of Easter	9:00 AM Umberto Manno by the family (re-sked 5/17/20)
	11:00 AM Roger Forget by Donald & Diane Chapdelaine (re-sked 5/17/20)
	4:00 PM Nelson Labrie by his wife, Theresa & family
May 17 – Monday	7:00 AM Julie Dupuis by Simone LaScala
May 18 - Tuesday	7:00 AM John Hughes by Paul & Rita Brault
May 19 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Claude Thibault by Jeannette
May 20 – Thursday	7:00 AM Elphege Roux (Ann) by his children & grandchildren
May 21 – Friday	7:00 AM Shirley Scoville by Gabrielle Roberge
May 22 – Saturday	4:00 PM Evangeline Roy (1 st Ann) by her children
May 23 – Sunday	7:30 AM George Lapointe by his family
Pentecost	9:00 AM Donald Roy (12 th Ann) by his wife, Nancy & children (resked 5/24/20)
	11:00 AM Suzanne Courchesne by Mike & Evelyn Sherriffs (resked 5/24/20)
	4:00 PM Clement Ruel by the family (resked 5/24/20)

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 5/09/21 Offertory: \$7,507.00 ~~ Thank you!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 5/09/2021 #62 Jeanne Landry

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Linda Nostin, Mary Jane Bayeur, Irene Richards, David Touchette, and Kenneth Gevry. May their souls rest in God's eternal peace.

THE SJA MEMORIAL FUND is grateful for \$210.00 in gifts in loving memory of Dorothy Pirog. Thank you very much!

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

Daniel Prats to be ordained a deacon!

The parish of Ste. Rose and the Diocese is pleased to announce the ordination of Mr. Daniel Prats to the Diaconate on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 11:00AM at the Cathedral of St. Michael in Springfield. Soon to be "Deacon Dan" will be assigned to Ste. Rose de Lima to join Deacon Michael Trznadel in ministry to the parish. "Deacon Dan" is married to his wife, Julie. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare for this happy day of ordination.

Nineteenth Annual Diocesan Wide Eucharistic Rosary Procession

Come celebrate the Year of St. Joseph on Sunday, June 6th from 1:00 – 4:00 PM (rain or shine) at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Northampton. The guest speaker

will be Bishop William D. Byrne. For more information contact George or Brenda at 4123-221-4372 or visit www.eucharisticprocesionnorthampton.com

The Fairview K of C #4044 Semi-Annual Candlelight Living Rosary

Please join the K of C # 4044 on Tuesday, May 18 at 7:00 PM at **St. Anne Church**, 30 College St. in Chicopee for the Candlelight Living Rosary led by Fr. Dennis Skowera, Chaplain. There will be a live musical program. Masks are required to enter the church.

ACA 2021

The 2021 ACA update for Ste. Rose de Lima Parish: 402 contributors with either one-time donation or pledge totaling \$49,050.00. It is never too late to contribute to this year's campaign. Next weekend there will be an in-pew process to give everyone an opportunity to contribute to this year's campaign. Or you may contribute online: www.diospringfield.org and click on the ACA logo. Remember, no amount is too small, and no amount is too big to contribute. The diocese would like to get more people to participate.

Getting to a "new normal!"

Ste. Rose de Lima Parish has been most cautious in following the mandated protocol for worshipping safely during this time of pandemic. The most efficient way to achieve a new normal is for everyone to get vaccinated. The sooner the general population is vaccinated, the sooner the protocol regime will be lifted – how welcoming that will be! Beginning Pentecost Sunday, the entrance procession and the recessional procession will return. At the conclusion of each liturgy, please be respectful of the social limits of not touching the priest or deacon – we still need to keep that protocol. The parish/diocese will lift restrictions as does the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As of this writing, Springfield and Chicopee are among several communities that are in “the red zone” with the number of coronavirus infections. Let us be mindful of that fact. The wearing of a facial mask is still required to enter the church building. Please wear a facial covering while in church, except for the reception of The Eucharist. The parish needs to recruit a few more volunteers to assist with the disinfection of the church after each liturgy. It only takes a few minutes of your time to help disinfect. Soon, that protocol will be eliminated too.

The Reception of Holy Communion

For those members of the parish who prefer to receive communion “on the tongue,” that practice will return on Pentecost Sunday. However, to assure the safety of all congregants, please be among the last persons to receive holy communion. The

reason is simple: should the person who is distributing holy communion touch your tongue ever so slightly, he/she must stop distributing holy communion and disinfect their hands. Please follow this process without exception.

And finally,

We have experienced an unprecedented pandemic and are beginning to emerge from it. Each of us needs to be mindful of so many persons who have died, either directly or indirectly from COVID 19. I have made every attempt to gently guide us through this painful experience. I have needed to keep myself safe to be available for the needs of the entire parish. Obviously, there have been many restrictions on my time and availability. The diocese placed restrictions on what could and could not be done by the few clergyman of the diocese. If I have disappointed anyone during this pandemic, I seek your pardon. The life of the parish “ceased” as we knew it. The staff had limits, volunteers could no longer be of service, rectory staff was safe at home; however, the parish continued to meet the salaries of all employees. As we begin to emerge from the pandemic, it is my hope and prayer that we find a new and better normal for parish life. The parish needs to expand its ministries and outreach. Please consider how you can make St. Rose a better parish and worshipping community. When many people work together for the betterment of the parish the burden is made lighter. Consider how you can contribute to the well-being of the parish with true stewardship, that is, sharing your TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE. With much love and admiration,

Fr Bill

RAFFLE CALENDAR DAILY WINNERS The Ste. Rose de Lima Community Life Committee AND St. Joan of Arc School are now pleased to announce the Mother’s Day to Father’s Day (43) Calendar winners.

As of the printing of our weekly bulletin, to date, Congratulations to:

#1 5/9 Cathy DeSorcy. #2 5/10 Christine Lessing. #3 5/11 Bill Bullock. #4 5/12 Cynthia Fisher. #5 5/13 M/M Michael Sutton.

We will also be announcing the daily winners on the Parish website calendar www.sterose.org and on the SJA website calendar. Good luck and thank you to all who purchased calendars.

JOIN IN PRAYING THE PATRIOTIC ROSARY for the Consecration of our Nation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. What is a patriotic Rosary? It’s a rosary prayed specifically for the United States. We pray for our government, all our officials, and, with each of the 50 Hail Marys, we plead the Blood of Jesus over every state and every soul in that state. We pray, that in response to Our Lady’s call we may be light for all nations and that peace may reign throughout the region and

beyond all boundaries. DATE: **Sunday, May 16, 2021 at 2:00PM in the Church (St. George)** PLACE: **Mary's House of Prayer, 202 East Main St., Chicopee.** Mary's House of Prayer is handicap accessible. For more information, go to: www.maryshousechicopee.org or call Jean at (413) 452-0511. There is no charge—free will offering will be accepted with gratitude. All are welcome!

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 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 Thurs., 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 Thurs., 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

SUNDAY FARMERS MARKET at Holy Cross Parish, 219 Plumtree Rd. Springfield starting June 6, and running through October 24, each Sunday from 9 AM to 2 PM a Fruit & Bread of Life Farmers' Market will be held here at Holy Cross. Fresh Produce, Homemade Baked Goods, and Handmade Crafts.

“PRO LIFE” HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, on the Eve of the Feast of Corpus Christi – Saturday, June 5, from 6:00-7:00pm, at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church - 127 Holyoke Rd in Westfield. Music will be provided by contemporary music group - "Psalm 33". All are welcome to join in prayer before the Lord, for a greater awareness of the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. For info, please call 562-3450.

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.