

***Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ August 1, 2021***  
***Readings: + Exodus 16:2-4 + Ephesians 4:17, 20-24+ John 6:24-35***

**STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Jul 31 – Saturday	4:00 PM Norman Lussier by Shirley & Alan Lussier
Aug 01 – Sunday	7:30 AM Darlene Desrosiers by Jim & Rita O'Dell
18 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Lionel Remillard (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by Irene, Lisa & Caleb 11:00 AM Ronald Constant (6 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by his wife, Peggy & family 4:00 PM Julie Dupuis by Donald Demers & Lucille Morin
Aug 02– Monday	7:00 AM Vera & Richard O'Dell by Rita & Jim O'Dell
Aug 03 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Thomas Larose by his family
Aug 04 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Barbara Douglas & Lionel Stebbins by a friend
Aug 05 – Thursday	7:00 AM Dr. Theroux & Dr. Kirvin by the staff
Aug 06 – Friday	7:00 AM Florestine Belanger by her estate
Aug 07 – Saturday	4:00 PM Paul E. Samson by Joe & Marie Langlois
Aug 08 – Sunday	7:30 AM Mafalda Manno by Angelina Manno
19 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Rachel Desrosiers (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by Diane & Al Bissonnette 11:00 AM Julien Drapeau (Ann) by the family 4:00 PM Deacon Joseph & Mildred Smith (B'day) by Sharon Smith

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP** 7/25//21 Offertory \$8,787.00 ~ Thank you very much!

**SJA BOOSTER CLUB** Winner for 8/012021: #30 Betty Theroux

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** the souls and families of Maurice Pottie, Normand Bachand, Scott Dusza, and Eugene Asselin. *May they and all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace. Amen.*

**RCIA** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets regularly on Tuesdays from September through April. The program is primarily for all non-Catholics interested in starting a new chapter in life's journey by joining the Catholic Church, or for those Catholics who have been baptized but haven't received the Sacrament of Eucharist and Confirmation. We're also inviting parishioners who would like a refresher course on their journey of faith. Please come and join us. Our first class of orientation will be held on **Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 6:00PM** at the Pastoral Center. If you're interested, please contact the Parish office 413-536-4558 EXT 218 or ask for Peggy. All are welcome.

**CUB SCOUT RECRUITMENT** We are welcoming new members to our Cub Scout Pack held here at St. Rose de Lima. We have begun meeting again safely after a break due to the pandemic. We welcome families to check out scouting for your youngster/s ages 5-10 or Kindergarten through Grade 5. We have a hike coming up in August at Ashley Reservoir. It would be a great way for families to meet and ask questions. If you're interested, the best way to reach the Chicopee Scouting team is by email. Please email us at [cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com](mailto:cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com) and we'll get back to you. Thank you and welcome to Scouting.

**HEARTFELT MEALS** has been preparing and delivering meals for elderly and shut-ins for almost 15 years on the second Sunday of each month. We are in need of two drivers to deliver meals. One of our drivers is moving in September, and we would like to add a new route that we have never been able to fill. If you're able and willing to join this great group of people and help a worthwhile cause, please call Gail Boone at 536-6038. Thanks!

**SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND DONUTS** follows the 9:00AM Mass. . Please join us in the Church hall. We look forward to seeing you!

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,  
Pro-Life Activities***

A quote from Bishop Byrne: “As we know, our culture and society is in the midst of great debate over issues regarding ‘life’ – from conception until natural death. We continue to strive to help educate and inform both our Catholic brothers and sisters, as well as our entire culture, on the sanctity of human life. Our greatest assets in the fight for life are Pro-Life Advocates in our parishes. In order to further expand our understanding of life issues, we need to develop the role and number of our Advocates, so that each of our parishes might represent our pro-life teachings to their parishioners. Bishop is requesting that each parish have a Pro-Life Advocate so that Fr Dan Pacholec, the Diocesan Pro-Life Director of Activities, might make contact with individuals in each parish. If you are desirous of pro-life programming in conjunction with diocesan events, please contact Fr Bill at your earliest convenience for more information.

***The Year of the Eucharist***

The Year of the Eucharist has been designated by Bishop Bryne as beginning November 21, 2021 through October 7, 2022. Bishop stated: “It is imperative that we make this an impactful year through catechesis, Holy Hours, devotions and preaching on the authentic teaching of the Church regarding the Eucharist as the source and summit of all our activities as Catholics.” Bishop is asking each parish to provide one or two persons from each parish to be a liaison(s) to disseminate information and activate programs in each parish and deanery within the diocese. Informational meetings will be held in the fall to explain what the Year of the Eucharist would entail. This would be a one-year commitment. If you are interested to assist the bishop and Ste. Rose de Lima Parish, please contact Fr. Bill at your earliest convenience. Let’s be represented as a parish for the Year of the Eucharist.

***The Twentieth Year of Remembrance of 9/11 – Save the date and time!***

The 20<sup>th</sup> Year of Remembrance of September 11, 2001 is quickly approaching. Due to COVID retractions the 19<sup>th</sup> Year was prohibited. The Chicopee-Ludlow Deanery has maintained an otherwise “stellar” Day of Remembrance Mass. This year 9/11 falls on a Saturday. Ste. Rose de Lima will host this year’s 20<sup>th</sup> remembrance Mass. The Mass will be celebrated at the traditional time of 7:00 PM. The regular 4:00 PM Mass for Sunday will still be offered. Bingo; however, will be suspended for that one Saturday. This will be the last time Ste. Rose would host this celebration during the pastorate of Fr. Bill. If you are interested in joining a planning committee and represent “the best of Ste. Rose” please contact Fr. Bill at your earliest convenience.

***And finally,***

*With the COVID restrictions lifted, for these past few weekends, my column has been an attempt to recruit new people for ministry in the parish, and with today’s column, to participate in diocesan events. At times, it feels as if the parish needs “to pull teeth” to get the membership to become more involved. The life of the parish is dependent upon many members rolling up their sleeves and making a difference. And so, I ask you to seriously consider entering a true sense of STEWARDSHIP: TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE. Please consider your level of participation in the parish: Step forward and make a difference. Thank you!*

***Fr Bill***

**ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH** Beginning in September we’ll be offering a class: ***How are the Old and New Testaments related?*** This class will be using the book “Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist” by Brant Pitre. Many Catholics today do not know where the roots of their faith came from. This class will give the attendees the insight and knowledge of the relationship between the Old and New Testament with regards to the Eucharist. If you’re interested, please contact the parish office 413-536-4558 EXT 218 or ask for Peggy. Further information will be forthcoming as to dates and time.

**SJA PTO CRAFT FAIR** on Sunday, **October 3, 2021** from 9AM-3PM at the Knights of Columbus, Granby Rd. Free Parking. Save the date!

**THE 2021 STE. ROSE PARISH RAFFLE:** This week, a mailing went out to our parish families with this year's raffle tickets. This raffle is usually associated with our Parish Picnic. Because of the interruption due to the pandemic, we will not be holding the Picnic this year. Hopefully it will return in 2022. In the meantime, we will still hold the Raffle.

**The Parish Raffle is awarding cash prizes totaling \$3,000.00.** There will be One \$1,000.00 prize donated by the St. Pierre-Phaneuf Aldenville Funeral Chapel. Two \$500.00 prizes. Three \$200.00 prizes and four \$100.00 prizes. In addition, one prize of \$100.00 worth of lottery tickets and four Raffle Prizes/Baskets valued at over \$50.00 each, donated by the Community Life Commission. An added incentive is our "Seller's Raffle". Sell or purchase 4 books of tickets and fill out the coupon on the bottom of the letter you receive and include it with your raffle returns. The winner will earn a \$100.00 prize. You're allowed one entry per every 4 books sold. If you need additional tickets, they're available at the Pastoral Center during regular office hours. Please consider selling or purchasing as many books as possible. Remember the cause is the support of St. Joan of Arc School. Ticket returns may be made by either dropping them off or mailing them to the Ste. Rose Pastoral Center, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee, MA 01020 or you may place them in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope labeled "Picnic" no later than Sunday, September 26, 2021. **The raffle drawing will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021.** If writing a check, **please make it payable to St. Rose de Lima Church.** Good Luck!

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**+ST. ROSE PURSE BINGO** on Friday, **October 15, 2021.** Mark your calendars now, as you won't want to miss out on this fun evening at Ste. Rose.

**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 also available from July through December 2021 if you're interested.

**CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED** The Chicopee School Department has immediate openings for crossing guards who can work for the school year 2021-2022. Anyone interested should complete an application at 189 Broadway St., Chicopee or call 413.594.3516 (office).

**THE 2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** As of June 23, 2021, there are **420** participants in this year's ACA who have contributed **\$50,790.00.** Thank you! It's never too late to contribute! All that needs to be done is to either take an ACA envelope available in the foyer of the church or log onto the diocesan website: [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org) and click on to the ACA banner. On-line contributions can be either one-time or a pledge. All major credit cards are accepted. No gift is too small; no gift is too large to assist the Diocese of Springfield in serving the needs of our brothers and sisters who seek assistance either from the diocese or from the many agencies that are funded by the ACA. Thank You!

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

**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 Amen.***