

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ August 22, 2021

Readings: + Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b + Ephesians 5:21-32 + John 6:60-69

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Aug 21 – Saturday	4:00 PM Sandra R. Labonte Dall by the family
Aug 22 – Sunday	7:30 AM Cosimo & Teresa Pisano by Angelina Manno
21 st Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Ivan Trombley (4 th Ann) by Elaine & family
	11:00 AM Jason Zolendziewski by Judy Plouffe
	4:00 PM Marcia Daly by Diane Green
Aug 23– Monday	7:00 AM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by the estate
Aug 24 - Tuesday	7:00 AM Gilbert Boissonnault by Linda
Aug 25 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Nelson Labrie by his wife, Theresa & family
Aug 26 – Thursday	7:00 AM Marietta Chapdelaine by Mildred Chapdelaine
Aug 27 – Friday	7:00 AM Florestine Belanger by her estate
Aug 28 – Saturday	4:00 PM Doris Brodeur by Janice Kapper
Aug 29 – Sunday	7:30 AM Luke Lessard by Marguerite Roy
22 nd Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Bernie Cloutier by Nancy & family
	11:00 AM Haich Hastings (B'day rem) by Helen Carrier & Michele Patry
	4:00 PM Rita Daviau by Richard

PARISH STEWARDSHIP 8/15//21 Offertory \$11,809.00 ~~ School Support \$2,983.00
Assumption of the BVM \$1,110.00 ~~ Thank you very much!

SJA BOOSTER CLUB Winner for 8/21/2021: #47 Therese Gagnon

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of James Haesaert, Gail Ryan and Aline Blais. May they and all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

ATTN: VOLUNTEERS AND ALL EMPLOYEES---IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!! All Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Sunday Coffee and Donut Helpers, Boy Scout Leaders and Assistant Leaders, Cub Scout Leaders and Assistant Leaders, Catechists (*Catechists can complete at our CCD meeting on 9/9/21*) and all Employees of the Parish are required by the Diocese of Springfield to complete an updated C.O.R.I. by September 30, 2021. No Virtus update is required at this time unless you haven't completed one already. Please stop in at the Pastoral Center, Monday-Thursday 9:00AM -3:00PM (ask for Cindee). We will also need to make a copy of your license or another valid ID. If you're only available after 3:00PM, please contact Cindee at 536-4558 or email cindee@sterose.org to request a later time and she will be glad to accommodate your time. Thank you to all who have already come in to complete their C.O.R.I. Please come at your convenience. We look forward to meeting with you soon.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND DONUTS follows the 9:00AM Mass. Join us in the Church Hall. Also, helpers are needed. If you're interested in being part of this team, please speak to one of the Sunday morning servers. We look forward to seeing you!

LECTIO DIVINA For those who would like to have a deeper understanding of the Sunday Gospel and who would like to have a strong connection to the Sunday homily, join us for Lectio Divina (Divine Reading) on **Monday nights at 6:30PM** in the Pastoral Center. We read and discuss the Gospel reading for the following Sunday. Our next meeting will be **August 30th** and the Gospel we'll be reflecting on is Mark 7:31-37. For more information see Deacon Mike.

SAVE THE DATE This year, the annual deanery-wide **9/11 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 here, at our parish, **Ste. Rose de Lima Church on Saturday, September 11th at 7:00PM**. This liturgy is sponsored, annually, by the Catholic parishes of Chicopee and Ludlow – 9/11 Memorial Mass Committee. This year marks the 20th annual observance of the horrific events that took place on that fateful day in our nation's history. Plan to attend, as we offer our thoughts and prayers, not only for the innocent victims, including those first responders, fire, police and emergency technicians who, simply went to work that day and never came home, but also for the families and friends whom they have left behind.

**Monday, August 23rd is the Feast Day of our Patron Saint
Ste. Rose of Lima – patroness of the Americas and the Philippines**

Ste. Rose of Lima (1586-1617), Patroness of the Americas is the first canonized saint of the New World. The tenth of thirteen children, she was born in Lima, Peru and given the name Isabel. Though exquisitely beautiful (hence her nickname Rose), she refused to marry, and while helping support her family by needlework and growing flowers, she practiced heroic charity and lived as a Dominican Tertiary in her parents' home. Rose tenderly cared for the sick, even those with repulsive wounds, and she often obtained miraculous cures for people from the Child Jesus. On other occasions, she worked miracles in order to feed the members of her family and became known as "Mother of the Poor." Rose continually prayed and offered her sufferings for the conversion of the Incas. In the year 1615, through her prayers, the Blessed Sacrament and the people of Lima were spared an attack by savage pirates. Ste. Rose was a friend and confidant of St. Martin de Porres, who lived in the same city. Her mystical experiences caused an ecclesiastical inquiry. During her last agonizing illness she prayed, "Lord increase my sufferings, and with them increase your love in my heart." Though dead at only 31, Ste. Rose's love of God was so intense that she was recognized as a saint in her own time and was canonized by the Church just 54 years later, in 1671. Ste. Rose of Lima has captured the imagination of the world and stands as one of the most popular saints in the history of the Church.

Let us pray: Dear Ste. Rose, pray for us, watch over this Parish family and protect all those who call upon your intercession through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE 2021 STE. ROSE PARISH RAFFLE: Thank you to all those who have already responded. **The Parish Raffle is awarding cash prizes totaling \$3,000.** There will be One \$1,000 prize donated by the St. Pierre-Phaneuf Aldenville Funeral Chapel. Two \$500 prizes. Three \$200 prizes and Four \$100 prizes. In addition, One prize of \$100 worth of lottery tickets and Four Raffle Prizes/Baskets valued at over \$50 each, donated by the Community Life Commission. Also, for every 4 books of tickets purchased, fill out the Seller's raffle coupon and include it with your raffle returns. The winner will earn a \$100 prize. Additional tickets are available at the Pastoral Center. 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. Because there is no Picnic this year, **the raffle drawing will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021 at the Pastoral Center.** If writing a check, **please make it payable to St. Rose de Lima Church.** Good Luck!

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE in people's lives and the life of Ste. Rose parish? Come join us on the Evangelization Committee! We meet the **fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM** in the Pastoral Center to discuss and make plans for the implementation of the spiritually based events of the church. Our first meeting this year will be **August 25th**. Please join us! For more info, see Deacon Mike.

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL invites you to participate in **OPERATION BACKPACK**. Organizer Anne said that donations will be accepted year round to assist students. Items may be dropped off at the church or the school. Need a pickup? call Anne @ 413-291-6072. Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

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.

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.

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!

COME AND SPEND SOME TIME WITH JESUS! We'll be starting our First Friday Eucharistic Adoration on **September 3rd at 2:00PM** in the church. There will be a new format. Adoration will begin at 2:00PM and close with the recitation of the chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction at 3:00PM. Join us at any time. For more information, see Deacon Mike.

MASS FOR ESSENTIAL WORKERS Bishop William D. Byrne will celebrate Mass for essential workers at the Forest Park amphitheater, adjacent to the Barney Estate, **Sunday, September 5th at 10:00AM**. The Mass, which will be broadcast live on "Chalice of Salvation," on WWLP-22 News, will recognize and lift up in prayer healthcare workers, first responders, employees of grocery stores, gas stations, and other businesses considered essential during the state of emergency in 2020. Bishop Byrne will also recognize the teachers and staff of Catholic schools in the Springfield Diocese, which welcomed students back for in-person learning in the fall of 2020, when most communities were still remote or hybrid. **The televised Mass will be sponsored by Big Y Supermarkets; Mercy Medical Center in Springfield; the Knights of Columbus Massachusetts State Council; Knights of Columbus Archbishop Williams Assembly, Fourth Degree; and the Knights of Columbus Fairview Council 4044.** People are encouraged to bring their own chairs or blankets for seating. Entrance and parking are free.

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 K through Grade 5. If you're interested, the best way to reach the Chicopee Scouting team is by email. Please email us at cubscoutpackchicopee@yahoo.com and we'll get back to you. Thank you and welcome to Scouting.

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 August 4, 2021, there are **436** Ste. Rose parishioner participants who have contributed **\$54,500.00** to the Annual Catholic Appeal. 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 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.