

## **Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time +++ September 5, 2021**

**Readings: + Isaiah 35:4-7a + James 2:1-5 + Mark 7:31-37**

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

Sep 04 – Saturday	4:00 PM Marcel Godbout (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by Robert & Irene Archambault
Sep 05 – Sunday	7:30 AM August Breault by Bob & Pauline Salois
21 <sup>st</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM Aline Bienvenue (61 <sup>st</sup> Ann) by her son, Richard 11:00 AM Gerard Bilodeau by Jeannette & Barbara 4:00 PM Deacon Joseph & Mildred Smith (Ann) by Sharon Smith
Sep 06 – Monday	7:00 AM Darlene Desrosiers by Jim & Rita O'Dell
Sep 07 – Tuesday	7:00 AM Florestine Belanger by her estate
Sep 08 – Wednesday	7:00 AM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate
Sep 09 – Thursday	7:00 AM Edna Girouard (15 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by her family
Sep 10 – Friday	7:00 AM Henrietta (B'day) & Philemon Cote by their grandchildren
Sep 11 – Saturday	4:00 PM Paul E. Samson by Joe & Marie 7:00 PM Memorial Mass honoring those fallen on 9/11/2001
Sep 12 – Sunday	7:30 AM Judy Patrick by her husband & sons
24 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday	9:00 AM John & David Laflamme by Mom & Dad and family 11:00 AM Emile Labonte (8 <sup>th</sup> Ann) by Denise 4:00 PM Richard Nolette by his wife, Cindy

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP** 8/29/21 Offertory \$7,897.00 ~ Collection for Haiti \$5,046.00 ~ Thank you!

**SJA BOOSTER CLUB** Winner for 9/05/2021: #72 Claire Labonte

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** the soul and family of Genevieve Mias and all our faithful departed. May they rest in God's eternal peace.

### **SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS**

**HOSTS** in Loving Memory of Gloria Robillard Thibeault by her daughter, Sharon & family.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** in Loving Memory of Elphege & Simone Roux by Denise & Normand.

**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. 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 at the Pastoral Center.** If writing a check, **please make it payable to St. Rose de Lima Church.** Good Luck!

**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](mailto: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.

**DESIGNER PURSE BINGO TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE.** The Purse Bingo will take place on **Friday, October 15, 2021** in the Ste. Rose de Lima Church Hall. The suggested donation is \$35.00 p.p. Doors will open at 5:00PM and the games start at 6:00PM. Tickets are available from Committee members or at the Pastoral Center during business hours, Monday thru Thursday 9-5PM and Friday 9-3PM. Plan on joining us for an evening of fun and prizes. Proceeds benefit Ste. Rose de Lima Church

***Dear Parishioner...Around & About Ste. Rose,  
September 8<sup>th</sup> – The Birth of Mary***

The Catholic Church has for centuries honored Mary as the Mother of Jesus. She was born of Joachim and Ann in what Catholics believe as The Immaculate Conception, which is celebrated on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Diocese of Springfield has chosen September 8<sup>th</sup> to announce at a news conference at 10:00 AM the Independent Task Force's report and Strategic Plan which the Task Force worked 20 months in response to the The Judge Peter Velis Report of clergy misconduct. The Task Force report and Strategic Initiatives were accepted by Bishop William Byrne on August 31, 2021. Please pray for the intercession of Mary that each parish work to implement this plan over the course of the next several years. The report will be available on the diocesan website: [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org) effective September 8, 2021. Please take the time to read this important report as it inaugurates a new beginning as to the Office of Safe Environment and Victim Assistance responds to victims.

***Writing Checks for St. Joan of Arc School.***

On the third weekend of the month, the second collection (*the pink envelope*) is for the benefit of St. Joan of Arc School. The bookkeeping and banking of this collection has changed; therefore, it's important to ask that checks be made payable to St. Joan of Arc School. The bank will only process checks made payable to SJA. In advance, your cooperation is appreciated. Your ongoing generosity to SJA School is impressive and is also appreciated.

***K of C Granby Road***

The K of C on Granby Road is hosting a picnic on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. All are most cordially invited to join the K of C for this event.

***Pro-life Committee***

This Diocese of Springfield has an established Pro-Life Commission. Each parish has been invited to have two representatives to assist the diocese in implementing a greater awareness of pro-life activities. Deacon Michael Trznadel and Jane Fortin have volunteered to represent Ste. Rose de Lima Parish. Pro-life literature will begin to be available in the vestibule of the church. Clearway, a pro-life counseling center located in Springfield, adjacent to MGM on Columbus Ave., will also provide brochures as to the services they offer to families with unplanned pregnancies. Together we can make our communities "pro-life" and protect every child in their mother's wombs.

***Fr. Bill***

**THE 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 who mourn them.

**GIRL SCOUTING** With the new school year starting, that means a new year for Girl Scouting too. We are holding an **Information Night** for interested parents and girls on **Tuesday, September 28 from 6 pm to 7:30PM** in the cafeteria at St Joan of Arc School. Girls from kindergarten through high school are encouraged to join us to try some activities, while parents will meet with leaders to learn about all that Girl Scouting has to offer. Adults interested in volunteering with Girl Scouting are also encouraged to attend. Anyone unable to attend may contact [GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com](mailto:GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com) for more information.

**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 explore the relationship between the Old and New Testament with regards to the Eucharist. Flyers are available for you to sign up in the vestibule of the Church. Please complete form and return if you are interested. Classes will be every other week starting at the end of September. Date and time to follow in the bulletin.

**EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE** Come and join us. The next meeting of the Evangelization Committee will be Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM in the Pastoral Center. Hope to see you there.

**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.

**LORRAINE'S SOUP KITCHEN** Ste. Rose helps prepare the meal at Lorraine's Soup Kitchen on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Helpers for the Food Prep from 1PM to 3PM would be appreciated. If interested, please contact Elaine 552-8480. Thanks.

**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!

**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!

**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](mailto: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](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!

**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.***