Year C Readings: + Baruch 5:1-9 + Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 + Luke 3:1-6

STE. ROSE de LIMA MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK 4:00 PM Henry E. Beaudry by his son, Richard Dec 04– Saturday Dec 05 – Sunday 7:30 AM Luke Lessard by Marguerite Roy 9:00 AM Bruno Tassone by Jim & Rita O'Dell 2nd Sunday of Advent 11:00 AM Clarence Gagnon (Ann) by the family 4:00 PM Ronald Connaughton (3rd Ann) by his wife & family 7:00 AM Emile, Elise & Violette Tetreault by the family Dec 06– Monday Dec 07 - Tuesday 7:00 AM Leo Pepin by Simone LaScala & Stella Boisvert Immaculate Conception Vigil 4:00 PM Nelson Labrie by his wife Theresa & family 7:00 AM Jean George Boule by his wife & family Dec 08 – Wednesday 9:00 AM Florestine Belanger by her estate Immaculate Conception 6:30 PM Ronald & Doris Berthiaume by their estate Dec 09 – Thursday 7:00 AM Lisa Cote by Angelina Manno Dec 10 – Friday 7:00 AM Simone Roux (Ann) by her children & grandchildren Dec 11 – Saturday 4:00 PM Sylvio Carrier (B'day rem) by his family Dec 12 –Sunday 7:30 AM Nelson Labrie by JoAnne & Peggy 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:00 AM Manuel Oliveira (Ann) by Orminda Oliveira & family 11:00 AM Richard Nolette by his wife, Cindy 4:00 PM Nap Rougeau by Lucille & Harry Pray

BINGO 12/04/21 Team 3

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: 11/28/2021 Offertory: \$8,020.00 **SJA BOOSTER CLUB** 12/05/21 # T/B/A Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls and families of Sylvia Macciomei and Martha Paul. May they and all our faithful departed rest in God's eternal peace.

FEAST DAY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION December 8, 2021 – A Holy Day of Obligation. Masses to fulfill this obligation will be held on Tuesday 12/7 at 4:00PM and Wednesday 12/8 at 7:00AM - 9:00AM and 6:30PM.

DECEMBER MEMORIALS: *SANCTUARY LAMP* in Loving Memory of Janet Bergeron by Joyce & Sandy. *HOSTS* in Loving Memory of Joseph Rene Thibeault by his daughter Sharon & family.

PARISH ADVENT MISSION. On Tuesday, **December 7th, at 6:30PM**, we will be hosting an **Advent Parish Mission** featuring Fr. Douglas McGonagle who will speak to us on "*The Star of Bethlehem.*" Please join us. On the following Tuesdays during Advent, why not spend some time visiting with Jesus in the Eucharist, "*The Reason for the Season!*" We will be hosting **Adoration in the Church at 6:30PM** on Tuesdays: December 14th and December 21st.

THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST "Receive Communion often, and Jesus will change you into himself." For more information and videos check out www.yearoftheeucharist.net ~St. Peter Julian Eymard.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT You're cordially invited to attend our Christmas Pageant on **Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 1:30PM** in the church hall. Students from both our CCD Program and St. Joan of Arc School will present "*The First Christmas: A Children's Christmas Pageant*" by Louise Egan. Come and enjoy the show and feel the true meaning of Christmas.

WARM HEARTS-WARMING HANDS CHRISTMAS CAROLING Our traditional Christmas Caroling on the Church steps will be held next Sunday, December 12th immediately following the 4PM Sunday Mass. Join us in heralding in the Christmas Season. Light refreshments will follow in the Church Hall.

SJA LOTTERY RAFFLE CALENDARS are on sale this weekend of December 5th, thru December 19th. Please stop by the school table after Mass, or visit the school between 9AM-2PM. Tickets are \$5 with unlimited chances to win during the month of January 2022.

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL FUNDRAISER: JUBILEE of TREES will be held on Wednesday, December 15th (Snow Date: Thurs. Dec. 16th) from 5-7PM in the SJA School Hall. Admission Donation is \$2/person or \$5/family. Take a festive stroll and enjoy the beautifully decorated Christmas Trees in the school hall and first floor. Take a chance to win your favorite tree! Raffle tickets: 4 for \$1 or arm's length for \$5. Trees will be raffled off at the end of the event. Deadline to collect trees, with decorations is 2PM on Dec. 17th. All unclaimed items will be donated back to SJA after the deadline. All Proceeds to benefit SJA School.

SJA GIFT CARD SALE: St. Joan of Arc School is hosting a gift card sale. If you know an 8th grade student, contact them to place your order. If you do not have an 8th grade connection, please order with the rest of the school. **NEW THIS YEAR**: +Online ordering at: Shop.ShopWithScrip.com Enrollment Code:3FAC8AB41828L https://shop.shopwithscrip.com/N2Upload/2021/basics-flyer/SWS 0474 BASICS Flyer-F.pdf

+Mobile App shopping. Download RaiseRight mobile app from the App Store. Enrollment Code: 3FAC8AB41828L https://youtu.be/MKV_BXUWIm8

+Order in Person by downloading an order form during the calendar year at www.sjachicopee.org

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS: Anyone who has worked for a nonprofit knows, it can be extremely difficult trying to get people to donate their time. As a result of the Covid 19 pandemic most of the committees have not met in a long while. A meeting of all committee chairs has been scheduled for **December 9, 2021 at 6:30PM** at the Pastoral Center. Please plan on attending. We would like to start the new year 2022 with a fresh start. If you cannot continue your obligations as chairperson, please come and notify us so we can begin to re-establish new chairpersons, also if you know of anyone who would like to be on a committee please let us know. Thank you.

- Peggy Constant, Pastoral Minister and Cathy Desorcy, Parish Council Chairwoman.

THE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4044 are hosting a New Year's Eve Party at the Castle, 1599 Memorial Dr., Chicopee to benefit the Council's many local charitable programs. Doors open at 6:00PM with dancing to the sounds of DJ Stephan till 1:00AM, a Cash Wheel, 50/50 raffle, Cash Bar and a Charcuterie Board at each table. Stations of Minestrone Soup, Chop Salad, Artesian Breads, Gourmet Pastas & Amenities, Herb Roasted Vegetables, "Top Your Way" Potato, Prime Rib, Salmon-en-croute and Viennese Desserts will be offered. Ring in the New Year with a Champagne Toast, party hats and noisemakers. Tickets are \$80 and sold in the Members' Lounge Mondays and Thursdays 6-8PM, Dec. 6th through Dec. 27th deadline. Jackets are required. Free parking. CDC Guidelines are implemented. For details go to www.kofc4044.com or Don 534-4749.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: This year in addition to our regular Giving Tree for the homebound and the families of our parish that are in need, we will be adding *Lorraine's Soup Kitchen* to our Gift Giving Tree. Please support those in need this Christmas. Please attach the gift tag to unwrapped gifts and put in one of the two boxes in the foyer of the Church. Thank you for your support. Suggested Gifts for Lorraine's Soup Kitchen recipients: **0-16 years old**: Baby toys, Dolls, Legos, Building sets, Board games, Sports Balls, Soccer, Basketballs, Footballs, Baseballs, Action Figures. **Clothing:** Boys and girls 0-5T and Boys and Girls S-L, Gloves, Hats, Scarves. **ADULTS**: Male and Female Small -2X Sweatpants, Sweatshirts, Socks, Gloves, Hats, Scarves. "May the joy of Christmas be with you all through the year!"

STE. ROSE GIVING TREE 2021

Our Giving Tree is located in the center alcove of the Church. Each year we place tags on the tree requesting gifts for our homebound parishioners as well as for children who are in need, so that we can bring them a small remembrance from the parish. There are different types of Tags: Men homebound // Women homebound, // Children with their ages listed//. Please take a tag you're willing to fulfill and return your gift with the original gift tag attached to it on or before **December 15th**, the sooner, the easier it will be to deliver them. Gifts can be returned to the Church on weekends or at the Pastoral Center: Mon-Thu 9-5, Fri 9-2. Thank you for caring and sharing! **GIFT SUGGESTIONS for the Elderly**: **Toiletries**: Lotions, soaps, powder. Stationery: writing / note paper / cards, postage stamps. **Treats**: tin of cookies, specialty crackers, jellies and jams, selection of special tea bags, candy selection. **Entertainment:** Crossword/Word Search puzzles, deck of cards. **Collectibles**: such as angels or figurines, small music box, small stuffed animals, Christmas characters, coffee mugs. **Comfort:** Foot warmers, armchair caddy, lap blanket or snuggies or whatever you feel is appropriate. Thank you.

Christmas 2021 and Sunday, December 26th!

Christmas 2021 will fall on a Saturday! A Saturday Christmas makes for a very confusing schedule of Masses. For Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of Christmas week, with this in-advance announcement, you can implement a plan into your calendar. Christmas Masses for 2021 are as follows:

Friday, December 24th - Christmas Eve: 4:00 PM

Saturday, December 25th – Christmas Mass at Midnight: Midnight Mass (12:00 AM)

Christmas Morning: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM.

The Liturgy for Sunday, December 26, (The feast of the Holy Family), will be celebrated on Sunday – ONLY!

Sunday, December 26 morning Mass schedule: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM

Sunday, December 26 evening Mass schedule: 4:00 PM.

Please note: The vigil Mass for Sunday – December 25th at 4:00 PM - will be eliminated. It is the Solemnity of Christmas all day; therefore, a vigil Mass for Sunday is not allowed. The rule of thumb is Catholics are to attend two Masses: one Mass for Christmas and one Mass for Sunday only on Sunday this year. Hopefully this advanced Mass schedule for Christmas, December 25th and Sunday, December 26th clarifies the Mass schedule.

JESUS IS CALLING YOU! Will you be there for him? We at Ste. Rose will be having a day long Adoration. If you have never experienced this, Eucharistic Adoration is the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. The Eucharistic Host is displayed in a monstrance (open receptacle where the consecrated Host is exposed for veneration) on the altar so that all can see and pray in the presence of Christ. Starting in January we're looking for volunteers to sign up for a specific time for Adoration. It will start after the 7:00AM Mass and go until 3:00PM. Jesus is counting on you for the success of this monthly event. Please sign up for a time in the vestibule of the church or call Laura Dubreuil at 413-364-0212 to schedule your time. This will be a day long monthly event and the first one will begin on **Friday, January 7**th at 7:30AM.

THANK YOU! SJA is grateful for two recent Apple Giving Tree donations: Boxes of Kleenex for the library and computer classrooms and a \$20.00 donation. Items still needed: No-Glue Foam Craft Kits, "new" Skip Bo Cards, "New" Trouble Games, "New" Clue Board Game, "New" Kitchen Play Food, Assorted Outdoor Balls, Walgreens & CVS gift cards for photo printing, slim Expo dry erase markers and paper towels. Donations can be dropped off at the school's Visitor Entrance 9AM-2PM. Ring the bell at the Visitors Entrance. Questions? Call 533-1475.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD at the 9:00AM Sunday Mass has resumed. This Liturgy of the Word is specifically geared toward young children to assist them in developing a love for the Word of God proclaimed at Sunday Mass. Facilitated by our DRE, Cindee Gagnon, our children encounter the sacred

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!

PINK ENVELOPE FOR SJA SCHOOL SUPPORT 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

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.

MARCH 29, 2022: TWIN HILL COUNTRY CLUB, LONGMEADOW, MA *The* Miracle of Life *Banquet* is Clearway Clinic's annual fundraising event. Clearway Clinic is a faith-based nonprofit committed to rescuing men, women and children from abortion and abortion trauma. 100% of banquet donations go to supporting the life-saving work of the clinic. The keynote speaker for this year's event is **Ben Watson, Retired NFL New England Patriots Tight End and Pro-Life Champion.** In addition to being a retired NFL pro, Ben is

a husband, father of seven children, a man of faith, a commentator, and an outspoken advocate for the sanctity of life. Tickets are available on-line for the "life-saving" event: www.clearwayclinic.com

PRO-LIFE We now have a bulletin board and table in the vestibule of the church that is dedicated to Pro-Life issues. The bulletin board will provide you with Pro-Life issues and events. The table will offer Pro-Life pamphlets and other informational materials. Please stop and read about the concerns of the Church and essential information regarding this very important issue. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike at 536-4558 or see Jane Fortin.

STE. ROSE BINGO A little information for everyone who has ever had children in St. Joan of Arc School and who, over the years, worked Bingo. Since its inception in 1975, we, the Bingo Community raised over \$3,779,302 to our parish school for tuition subsidies and its general financial operations. \$3.7 million dollars raised is a real eye opener and shows the critical need for people to step forward and volunteer their time to such a substantial partner in keeping our school open and affordable. Many thanks to the dedication of our present and former Members in Charge, captains, bingo workers, volunteers, and patrons. Please give serious thought to volunteering for bingo.

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! To contribute, 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 from the diocese or from the many agencies that are funded by the ACA. Thank You!

GIRL SCOUTING Girls from kindergarten through high school are encouraged to join us. Adults interested in volunteering with Girl Scouting are also invited to contact GirlScoutsofChicopee@gmail.com for info.

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.

Year of the Eucharist Prayer

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist. In you I place my whole family. Heal our wounds and renew us in heart and mind with a greater reverence, devotion and love for you in the Holy Eucharist.

Our Lady, first tabernacle of the Word made flesh, intercede on our behalf to your Son, Especially for the Diocese of Springfield and our priests. Through their love for the priesthood and the Eucharist, may they inspire young men to the priesthood that the Mass may continue to be offered so that we may be nourished with your Son's Body and Blood. Guide especially our youth to your Church so that they may thrive by knowing the truth that only comes from Jesus.

Most Holy Trinity, I adore you!

My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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.